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Synod of the Potomac of the Reformed Church in the United States.

AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS HELD AT MERCERSBURG, PA.

In the month of October, in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred. The Sessions commenced on the evening of the twenty-third and continued until the evening of the twenty-ninth day of the month inclusive.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod of the Potomac of the Reformed Church in the United States convened in the Reformed Church of Mercersburg, Pa., on Tuesday evening, October 23rd, A. D., 1900, at 7:30 o'clock, pursuant to previous appointment, and was opened with appropriate religious services. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. George B. Resser, from Matthew 10: 16—"Behold, I send you forth."

NOTE. The time of meeting, from the 2nd to the 23rd of October, was ordered by a special meeting of the Synod, at Pen Mar, on the 19th of July, 1900, held for that purpose.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the President called the Synod to order, and formally opened it with prayer. In the absence of the Stated Clerk on account of illness, Rev. E. R. Deatrick was appointed Assistant Stated Clerk, during his father's absence. The Provisional Synodic Roll was then called by him, and a quorum was found to be in attendance.

ARTICLE II.

DELEGATES PRESENT.

I.—From the Classis of Zion.

Ministers.—Henry H. Apple, Gideon P. Fisher, E. Bruce Lyttle, H. M. John Klein.

Elders.—Israel Laucks, Peter C. Wiest, Edward E. Johnston.[2]

II.—From the Classis of Maryland.

Ministers.—Adam S. Weber, Conrad Clever, D.D., Calvin S. Slagle, J. Spangler Kieffer, D.D., William I. Stewart, B.D., E. Ranson Deatrick, B.D., Joseph W. Santee, D.D., Edmund R. Eschbach, D.D., Charles W. Levan, Henry F. Dittmar, T. Franklin Hoffmeier, George A. Snyder, Joel T. Rossiter, D.D.,[2] John W. Pontius,[2] Isaac M. Motter.[2]

Elders.—John Gassman, Jacob H. Cost, J. Taylor Motter, Cyrus Dellinger, Edmund S. Everhart, Elmer C. Kefauver, M.D., W. Scott Kefauver, Adrian C. McCardell,[2] Prof. Henry Meier,[2] J. Hollin Kefauver,[2] Charles N. Zumstein.[3]

III.—From the Classis of Mercersburg.

Ministers.—Henry N. Bassler, Charles M. Smith, Christian Gumbert, William C. Schaeffer, Ph.D.,[2] William C. Cremer, D.D.[2]

Elders.—Frederick P. Bossert, J. Edward Omwake, William A. Ambrose, Andrew R. Schnebly.

IV.—From the Classis of Virginia.

Ministers.—R. Raymond Jones, George G. Everhart, Lewis T. Lampe, John A. Hoffheins, D.D., Ellis S. Hay.

Elders.—Joshua B. Grove, Dennis M. Kilmer, Jacob Z. Fravel, John H. Bauserman, Joseph F. Crawn.

V.—From the Classis of North Carolina.

Ministers.—J. M. Luther Lyerly, Harvey A. M. Holshouser, James D. Andrew.

VI.—From the Classis of Gettysburg.

Ministers.—Milton M. Noacher, John C. Bowman, D.D., John H. Hartman, Edward D. Miller, J. Marion Mickly, Peter E. Heimer.[2]

Elders.—Solomon Schwartz, Greenbury W. Weaver, Emanuel Cluck, William Snyder,[2] Andrew R. Brodbeck,[2] A. C. Lower,[2]

VII.—From the Classis of Carlisle.

Ministers.—Miles O. Noll, J. David Miller, Samuel H. Stein, Titus C. Strock.

Elders—Thomas J. Clarke, David F. Daihl, Peter G. Kell.

VIII.—From the Classis of Juniata.

Ministers.—Frederick A. Rupley, Jr., Lewis Robb, Irvin W. Hendricks, Thomas K. Cromer, Frederick A. Rupley, D.D., Henry H. Hartman.

Elders.—J. Scott Corle, Walter H. Harnish, David R. Earlenbaugh, Benjamin S. Fouse, John H. Stephens, John B. Phillips, Frank G. McKillip.

NOTE.—The figures at the end of a name indicate the day on which a delegate took his seat, who was not present at the opening of the Synod.

Revs. Lloyd E. Coblentz, Simon S. Miller and William C. Sykes occupied the seats of Revs. J. T. Rossiter, J. W. Pontius and I. M. Motter during the first two sessions of the Synod; Rev. C. A. Santee that of Rev. W. C. Schaeffer during the first and second days; that of Rev. M. O. Noll from Saturday afternoon to the close of the Synod by Rev. William H. Groh; that of Rev. M. M. Noacher, during the same time, by Rev. Walter E. Krebs, D.D.; Rev. S. S. Miller and W. C. Sykes were admitted to the seats of Rev. J. S. Kieffer and H. F. Dittmar on Monday morning to the end of the sessions; Rev. George B. Resser to the seat of Rev. P. E. Heimer during the first three days of the Synod.

Elders D. M. Killmer, W. A. Ambrose, E. E. Johnston and H. Meier obtained leave of absence on Friday; Revs. J. D. Andrew, H. A. M. Holshouser and Elder E. C. Kefauver on Saturday; Rev. T. K. Cromer and Elder T. J. Clarke on Monday morning; and Revs. J. C. Bowman, E. S. Hay, and Elder J. F. Crawn on Monday afternoon.

Advisory Members.

The following advisory members were present at one or more of the sessions of the Synod, to wit:

Maryland Classis.—Revs. John M. Schick, D.D., Simon S. Miller, Lloyd E. Coblentz, William C. Sykes, Barton R. Carnahan, George A. Whitmore, Cyrus Cort, D.D., Ernest E. Weaver, George W. Snyder, Elder Prof. Joseph H. Apple.

Mercersburg Classis.—Revs. Charles A. Santee, Jonas B. Shontz, Franklin F. Bahner, D.D., George W. Aughinbaugh, D.D., Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher, D.D., Prof. William M. Irvine, Ph.D., and Elders Thomas W. Brendle, Jerome Dietrich, Henry Omwake.

Virginia Classis.—Revs. Nehemiah H. Skyles, James B. Stonesifer, Albert B. Bauman, J. Silor Garrison, Elder Daniel Rentch.

Gettysburg Classis.—Revs. George B. Resser, Walter E. Krebs, D.D.

Carlisle Classis.—Rev. William H. Groh.

Eastern Synod.—Revs. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Thomas M. Yundt, Adam C. Whitmer, Milton H. Sangree, Cyrus J. Musser, Henry K. Miller, John S. Stahr, D.D., Rufus W. Miller, Charles H. Coon, D.D., Marion L. Firor, J. Lewis Fluck, Henry T. Spangler, D.D., Elders Daniel Miller, Francis E. Heller.

Pittsburg Synod.—Revs. Peter C. Prugh, D.D., John H. Prugh, D.D., Ambrose M. Schmidt, R. Franklin Main.

Ministers of Other Churches.

The presence of the following ministers was announced: Rev. James G. Rose, of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. John W. Forrest, of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following members were elected the officers of the Synod for the current Synodical year:

Rev. L. Robb, *President,* Altoona, Pa.
Rev. A. S. Weber, *Vice President,* Baltimore, Md.
Rev. W. M. Deatrick, is *Stated Clerk,* Bedford, Pa.
Rev. E. R. Deatrick, *Assistant Clerk,* Woodberry, Md.
Rev. H. H. Apple, *Corresponding Secretary,* York, Pa.
Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., *Reading Clerk,* Alexandria, Pa.
Elder G. N. Forney, *Treasurer,* Hanover, Pa.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order, as adopted by the General Synod at Akron, Ohio, in 1887, were read by the Reading Clerk.

The President, agreeably to the Rules of Order, defined the *Bar of the House* as limited to the first eight pews from the chancel. The following hours were fixed for the opening and closing of the sessions of the Synod, to wit: the daily session to open at 9 o'clock, with a recess from 11.30 to 2 o'clock, and close at 4.30 o'clock; the evening services to commence at 7 o'clock.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following standing committees, to wit:

Religious Services.—Revs. C. A. Santee, H. N. Bassler, H. H. Hartman, and Elders A. R. Schnebly, W. A. Ambrose.

Minutes of Synod.—Revs. W. M. Deatrick, J. D. Andrew, T. C. Strock, and Elders F. G. McKillip, J. H. Bauserman.

Overtures.—Revs. M. O. Noll, I. W. Hendricks, H. F. Dittmar, and Elders J. S. Corle, P. G. Kell.

Minutes of Classes.—Revs. F. A. Rupley, Jr., L. E. Coblentz, G. A. Snyder, and Elders S. Schwartz, J. H. Stephens.

Examination, Licensure and Ordination.—Revs. J. W. Santee, F. A. Rupley, Sr., J. M. Mickly, and Elders I. Laucks, J. T. Motter.

State of Religion and Statistics.—Revs. G. B. Resser, E. S. Hay, T. K. Cromer, and Elders F. R. Bossert, D. K. Earlenbaugh.

Education.—Revs. W. C. Schaeffer, E. R. Eschbach, C. S. Slagle, and Elders J. E. Omwake, E. C. Kefauver.

Orphan Homes.—Revs. E. B. Lyttle, M. M. Noacher, J. M. L. Lyerly, and Elders P. C. Wiest, G. W. Weaver.

Missions.—Revs. C. Clever, H. H. Apple, and Elders W. H. Harnish, J. Gassman.

Sunday-Schools.—Revs. A. S. Weber, H. M. J. Klein, S. H. Stein, and Elders J. B. Grove, B. S. Fouse.

Publication.—Revs. J. C. Bowman, C. W. Levan, L. E. Coblentz, and Elders D. F. Daihl, J. H. Cost.

Finance.—Revs. J. A. Hoffheins, G. P. Fisher, G. G. Everhart, and Elders W. S. Kefauver, J. F. Crawn.

Nominations.—Revs. J. S. Kieffer, R. R. Jones, J. D. Miller, and Elders T. J. Clarke, J. B. Phillips.

Ministerial Necrology.—Revs. T. F. Hoffmeier, L. T. Lampe, C. M. Smith, and Elders E. Cluck, C. Dellinger.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The Minutes of the Classes of Zion, Maryland, Mercersburg, Virginia, North Carolina, Gettysburg, Carlisle and Juniata were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, except the reports on the State of Religion and the Statistical Tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented and read, and then referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, for the purpose of being audited.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Education, the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College, the Board of Directors of the Woman's College, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., and the Treasurer's Report of the same institution, and Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, were presented to Synod and read, and then referred to the Standing Committee on Education for further consideration.

4. The Annual Reports of the General Board of Home Missions, the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, and the Report of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were received, read, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

5. The Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church was laid before the Synod and was referred

to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Annual Report of the Sunday-School Board was presented to the Synod, read, and referred to the Sunday-School Committee.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The Synod, during its sessions, observed the following religious services, to wit:

1. The sessions of each day were opened and closed with appropriate religious services.

2. The Standing Committee on Religious Services reported as follows, which was received and adopted, namely:

Wednesday Evening.—Liturgical service by Rev. W. I. Stewart. "Home Missions."—The Twentieth Century: Conditions and forces, with which we as a Church face it, by Rev. E. R. Eschbach. The field which opens before us: with what specific purpose shall we enter it, by Rev. W. C. Shaeffer.

Thursday Evening.—Liturgical service by Rev. H. F. Dittmar. "Education." Addresses by Revs. J. C. Bowman and C. Clever.

Friday.—Dedicatory services of Keil Hall.

Saturday Afternoon.—Preparatory services at 2 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. C. S. Slagle. Liturgical services by Rev. J. D. Miller and E. R. Deatrick.

Saturday Evening.—"Sunday-schools." Addresses were made by Rev. J. W. Pontius on "The Work of the Sunday-school in the Church;" by Rev. L. T. Lampe on "The Lesson Preparation;" and by Rev. R. W. Miller on "The New Century Sunday-school."

Sunday Morning.—Holy Communion. Sermon by the President of Synod, Rev. L. Robb. Liturgical services by Revs. T. F. Hoffmeier and J. A. Hoffheins.

Sunday Morning, 9:20 o'clock.—Sunday-school addresses by Revs. E. B. Lyttle and M. M. Noacher.

Sunday Evening, 7 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. C. W. Levan. Liturgical service by Revs. J. T. Rossiter and E. S. Hay.

Presbyterian Church.—Morning, sermon by Rev. J. S. Kieffer. Evening, sermon by Rev. W. I. Stewart.

Lutheran Church.—Morning, sermon by Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr. Evening, sermon by Rev. I. W. Hendricks.

Methodist Church. Morning, sermon by Rev. S. H. Stein. Evening, sermon by Rev. N. H. Skyles.

United Brethren Church. Morning, sermon by Rev. T. K. Cromer. Evening, sermon by Rev. G. A. Snyder.

African M. E. Church. Morning, sermon by Rev. H. F. Dittmar. Evening, sermon by Rev. J. D. Andrew.

Academy Sunday-School. Sunday evening. Addresses by Revs. C. J. Musser, H. H. Apple, and J. C. Bowman.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SANTEE, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE VIII.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting publicly before the Synod was dispensed with, and the printed "Acts and Proceedings" of the last annual sessions of the Synod were referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod, to report such items of business as properly claimed the consideration of the present meeting of the Synod. During the session of Wednesday afternoon, this committee presented its report, which was received, considered item by item, amended, and adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

Report of the Committee on Minutes of Synod.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Synod, to whom the printed Acts and Proceedings of last year were referred for examination, begs leave, after careful inspection of them, to report the following items as claiming in our judgment the notice and consideration of this Synod, namely:

Item 1, page 7. The usual standing committee on Ministerial Necrology is appointed, whose duty it is to report to the present meeting of the Synod; of which committee Rev. T. C. Hesson is chairman.

Item 2, page 11. A special committee is appointed to secure copies of the addresses delivered at the Schlatter Memorial Services, during the Synod at Hagerstown in 1897, and publish them; provided the Synod incur no expenses in connection with their publication.

Item 3, page 42. The Synod's committee for the further endowment of the Woman's College at Frederick is continued with instructions.

Item 4, page 43. The committee to co-operate in the endowment of Franklin and Marshall College is continued.

Item 5, page 46. It will be necessary for the Synod to elect three members of the Board of Education, three members of the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College, and one member of the Board of Directors of the Woman's College, in place of those whose terms of service will shortly terminate.

Item 6, page 46. It becomes necessary for the Synod to elect two members of the Board of Visitors of the Theological

Seminary, and two members of the Board of Trustees of the same institution, in place of those whose term of office will soon expire, and also a member of the same Board for four years in place of Elder F. Geise, deceased, during the past year.

Item 7, page 59. The Synod urges upon the Classes and pastors to co-operate with the Board of Home Missions in raising $30,000 for erecting the Washington Memorial Church.

Item 8, page 59. The attention of the Classes and congregations and individual members is called anew to the importance of Church Building Funds; and the Classes are urged to take active steps towards securing more of these funds.

Item 9, page 59. The Synod endorses the Twentieth Century Movement in behalf of Home Missions, and heartily commends it to the co-operation of all our Classes and congregations.

Item 10, page 59. The officers of Synod are constituted a committee to prepare a program for a special missionary meeting to be held in connection with the next annual meeting of the Synod in the interest of the Twentieth Century Movement.

Item 11, page 60. Each Classis is requested to appoint a committee of three, to hold a meeting in the interest of this movement at their annual meetings last Spring, and further directs that similar conventions or meetings be held in each congregation, and that pastors be requested to preach special sermons on the subject.

Item 12, page 60. The Synod requests all the Classes to urge their respective congregations to pay their full apportionments for both Home and Foreign Missions, and at the earliest periods, during the Classical year.

Item 13, page 60. Revs. C. Clever, L. E. Coblentz and C. A. Santee are appointed the Synod's committee on the Twentieth Century Movement, to have the general charge thereof.

Item 14, page 61. The officers of Synod are given certain instructions in connection with the sale of the First Reformed Church of the City of Stockton, California.

Item 15, page 62. It will be necessary for the Synod to elect two members of the Synodic Board of Missions to fill the places of those whose terms of service expire with the present meeting of Synod.

Item 16, page 65. Apportionments are made upon the several Classes for Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Hungarian and Bohemian Missions, Harbor Missions, Work Among the Germans, Beneficiary Education, Theological Seminary, Catawba College, Contingent Fund, and Contingent Fund of General Synod.

Item 17, page 65. Certain arrearages are noted as still

existing on apportionments for Contingent Fund of Synod, Contingent Fund of General Synod, Catawba College, and Calvin College.

Item 18, page 67. It will be necessary to elect a member of Synod's Board of Trustees to fill the place of the one whose term of service will end on the first of next January.

Item 19, page 76. The Stated Clerk is directed to have three thousand copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the Synod of 1899 published.

Item 20, page 80. The Synod commends anew the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States and its claims to the hearty sympathy and the willing and ready support of the several Classes of the Synod and to the pastors and membership of the Church generally.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. M. DEATRICK, *Chairman.*

For the action of Synod on item 1, see Article XXII, Ministerial Necrology; on item 2, the chairman reported, that the committee had an edition of six hundred copies printed and sold, without involving the Synod in any expense; and the thanks of the Synod were returned to the committee; on items 3 and 4, see Article XIII, Education; items 5, 6, 15 and 18 were severally referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations to make the required nominations; on items 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, and 20, see Article X, Minutes of Classes, for their action on the several items; on item 10, duty attended to; on item 14, see Article XV, Missions, Report of Bi-Synodic Board; and on item 19, see Article XX, Publication.

ARTICLE IX.

OVERTURES.

The Standing Committee on Overtures presented its report at intervals, which was received and disposed of item by item, subsequently adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Overtures begs leave to report the following papers placed in our hands as claiming the attention of your reverend body, to wit:

Item 1. A communication from the Stated Clerk of the Pittsburg Synod in relation to the Rev. John I. Swander Lectureship.

Item 2. A book entitled "The Church Member" by the Rev. Samuel H. Dietzel.

Item 3. An invitation from the Reformed congregation of Huntingdon, Pa., to the Synod to hold its next annual meeting in their church.

Item 4. A communication from Rev. S. S. Miller, Secretary of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, on the work and condition of the said Society.

Respectfully submitted,

M. O. Noll, *Chairman.*

For the action of Synod on item 1, see Article XIII., Education; on items 2 and 4, see Article XXI., Miscellaneous. The invitation in item 3 was accepted, and the time fixed for holding the sessions was the third Tuesday of October, the 15th, A. D., 1901, at 8 o'clock P. M.

ARTICLE X.

REPORT ON MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report, during the session of Thursday forenoon, which was received, disposed of item by item, amended and adopted as a whole. The report, as adopted, is as follows:

I.—Irregularities.

1. Zion's Classis failed to name the Classis from which Rev. Raymond E. Butz was received; failed to record the month and date of the ordination of Licentiate Israel S. Leiby.

2. Virginia Classis failed to name the place in Mt. Jackson where Classis will convene.

3. The following named Classes have incomplete marginal references: Virginia, Juniata.

4. The following named Classes failed to affix their seals to the copies of the minutes submitted to Synod: Mercersburg, Virginia, Juniata.

II.—Requests and Recommendations.

5. Zion's Classis requests Synod's attention to the charges in that Classis delinquent on account of arrearages to Catawba College.

6. Zion's Classis requests the Synod to exonerate the First Reformed and Heidelberg congregations from the payment of their apportionments to Catawba College, inasmuch as they paid the principal.

7. Maryland Classis renews the request made to Synod last year referring to Catawba College apportionment.

8. Maryland Classis overtures Synod with reference to Deaconess Work and Home.

9. Virginia Classis requests Synod to cancel the arrearages of that Classis.

10. North Carolina Classis overtures Synod to promptly complete the seventeen-thousand-dollar endowment for Catawba College.

III.—Appeals and Complaints.

11. Mr. Samuel Sprankle complains to Synod on account of certain action by Juniata Classis.

IV.—Subjects Referred to the Classes.

All matters referred by the Synod to the Classes have received favorable action, with the following exceptions:

12. Zion's Classis did not assume the arrearage on account of Calvin College.

13. Maryland Classis (*a*) assumed $725 instead of $976 on account of Beneficiary Education; (*b*) reapportioned $109 instead of $163.29 on account of Catawba College arrearage; (*c*) claims full credit on account of Calvin College arrearage.

14. Mercersburg Classis (*a*) accepted $400 instead of $469 on account of Beneficiary Education; (*b*) accepted $45 instead of $90 on account of Theological Seminary; (*c*) declined to accept Synod's apportionment for Work among the Germans.

15. Virginia Classis (*a*) apportioned $300 instead of $555 for Home Missions; (*b*) apportioned $300 instead of $395 for Foreign Missions; (*c*) apportioned $50 instead of $95 for Hungarian and Bohemian Missions; (*d*) apportioned $25 instead of $40 for Work among Germans; (*e*) apportioned $150 instead of $300 for Beneficiary Education; (*f*) apportioned $30 instead of $58 for Theological Seminary; (*g*) apportioned $50 instead of $64 for Catawba College; (*h*) failed to appoint a Committee on Twentieth Century Movement.

16. North Carolina Classis (*a*) did not assume any apportionment for Beneficiary Education; (*b*) did not assume any apportionment for Hungarian Missions; (*c*) did not assume any apportionment for Work among Germans; (*d*) did not assume any apportionment for Harbor Missions; (*e*) assumed $25 instead of $52 for Theological Seminary.

17. Gettysburg Classis declares its inability to act on the request of Synod touching the reception of applicants for beneficiary aid.

V.—Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

19. Zion's Classis received Licentiate Israel S. Leiby from Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod, and ordained him; Rev. Raymond E. Butz from East Susquehanna Classis; and dismissed Rev. Morgan A. Peters, who returned the certificate previously granted, dismissing him to the Lehigh Presbytery, of the Presbyterian Church, to the Classis of Schuylkill; and Rev. A. Theodore Wright to Virginia Classis.

19. Maryland Classis licensed John W. Gilds and William H. Warner; ordained Licentiates Charles H. Knight and William E. Lampe; received Rev. Ernest E. Weaver from the

Illinois Classis, Rev. John M. Schick, D.D., from the Tiffin Classis, and Rev. James M. Mullan from Carlisle Classis; dismissed Licentiate John W. Gilds to East Pennsylvania Classis, and Rev. K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D., to West Susquehanna Classis.

20. Mercersburg Classis received Rev. Cyrus R. Diffenbacher, D.D., from Westmoreland Classis; and dismissed Rev. Albert H. Hibschman to Lancaster Classis of the Eastern Synod.

21 Virginia Classis received Rev. Charles A. Bushong from West Susquehanna Classis; dismissed Rev. Abram D. Wolfinger to Tiffin Classis, and Rev. J. Philip Harner to Somerset Classis.

22. North Carolina Classis ordained Licentiate Henry E. Sechler; received Rev. Gerny Weber from Zion's Classis, and dismissed Rev. L. M. Kerschner to the Presbyterian Church.

23. Gettysburg Classis licensed Charles B. Rebert and dismissed him to Somerset Classis; dismissed Rev. George P. Stem to Lehigh Classis.

24. Carlisle Classis licensed Scott R. Wagner and dismissed him to Lehigh Classis; received Licentiate John P. Diffenderfer from West Susquehanna Classis and ordained him; dismissed Rev. James M. Mullan to Maryland Classis, Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart, D.D., to West Susquehanna Classis, and Rev. Charles H. Brandt to Philadelphia Classis.

25. Juniata Classis received Licentiate Albert H. Ginder and Rev. P. A. DeLong from Lehigh Classis, and ordained the former; dismissed Licentiate Wm. A. McClellan to Westmoreland Classis; Rev. Ambrose C. Geary to Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod; Rev. Homer S. May to Somerset Classis; Rev. S. Charles Stover to Clarion Classis; Rev. Charles E. Creitz to Reading Classis, and Rev. Paul S. Leinbach to Allegheny Classis.

VI.—Places and Times of Next Annual Meetings.

26. Zion's Classis will meet in Salem's (Paradise) Church, Trinity charge, York county, Pa., Monday, May 20th, 1901, 7.30 o'clock p. m. Rev. H. M. J. Klein, *President;* Rev. Aaron Spangler, *Stated Clerk;* J. Deisinger, M. D., *Treasurer.*

27. Maryland Classis will meet in the Reformed Church, Middletown, Md., May 17th, 1901, 7.45 o'clock p. m. Rev. W. C. Sykes, *President;* Rev. E. R. Deatrick, *Stated Clerk;* Rev. C. S. Slagle, *Treasurer.*

28. Mercersburg Classis will meet in the Reformed Church, Greencastle, Pa., May 13th, 1901, 7.30 o'clock p. m. Rev. C. A. Santee, *President;* Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, *Stated Clerk* and *Treasurer.*

29. Virginia Classis will meet in the Old Union Church, Mt. Jackson, Shenandoah Co., Va., Wednesday, May 15th, 1901, 8 o'clock p. m. Rev. Lewis T. Lampe, *President;* Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, *Stated Clerk* and *Treasurer.*

30. North Carolina Classis will meet in the Shiloh Reformed Church, of the Central Rowan charge, Faith, N. C., on Wednesday, May 1st, 1901, 2.30 o'clock p. m. Rev. A. Shulenberger, *President;* Rev. J. C. Leonard, *Stated Clerk;* Elder M. J. Rowe, *Treasurer.*

31. Gettysburg Classis will meet in the East Berlin Reformed Church, Adams County, Pa., on the 3rd Monday in May, 1901, 7.30 p. m. Rev. F. C. Seitz, *President;* Rev. T. J. Barkley, *Stated Clerk* and *Treasurer.*

32. Carlisle Classis will meet in the Elliotsburg Reformed Church on the 3rd Wednesday in May, 1901, 7.30 o'clock p. m. Rev. Titus C. Strock, *President;* Rev. J. David Miller, *Stated Clerk* and *Treasurer.*

33. Juniata Classis will meet in the Reformed Church, Loysburg, Bedford County, Pa., May 15th, 1901, 2.30 o'clock p. m. Rev. Homer S. May, *President;* Rev. Lewis Robb, *Stated Clerk* and *Treasurer.*

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. RUPLEY, JR., *Chairman.*

The attention of the Classes noted as irregular in items 1, 2, 3, and 4 was called to their irregularities. On item 5, the Synod calls the attention of Zion's Classis in regard to the delinquent charges, with the request that the delinquenices be paid. For the action of Synod on items 6, 7, 8, and 10, see Article XXI., Miscellaneous. The request in item 9 was refused. On item 11, see Article XVII., Complaints. Item 12 was referred back to Zion's Classis to pay the arrearage. In regard to items 13, 14, 15 and 16, on motion, the Synod urges all the Classes to assume the full apportionments sent down by the Synod, and apportion them among their several Classes. The remaining items of the report were severally adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination reported as follows, which was received and adopted, to wit:

The Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination begs leave to report that no applicants for examination were referred to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. SANTEE, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XII.

STATE OF RELIGION AND STATISTICAL REPORTS.

The Standing Committee on the State of Religion and Statistical Reports submitted its report to the Synod, during the session of Saturday morning, which was received and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

Report of the Committee on the State of Religion and Statistics.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: It is with a great deal of satisfaction, and gratitude to God, that we, as a Synod, are permitted to review the state, or progress, of religion and morals during the past Synodical year.

In a more general way, it must have been a matter of rejoicing to our hearts that, whilst in the world at large there have been wars and rumors of wars, commotions and agitations, uncertainties and perplexities, in the management of its affairs, the Church has, in the main, been permitted to go on steadily toward the prosecution of her beneficent work, in possession of that peace which her Master gives to her, not as the world gives. We are not unmindful that, during the year many of our Christian brethren in the Far East have had to seal their devotion to our cause with their life-blood; but we know that, for them, this is the winning of a martyr's crown, and their blood will become the seed of better things in the soil upon which it was shed.

More particularly within our own boundary lines there is little for us to call attention to that is not cheering. It appears from the annual reports of the several Classes that the ministry have been enabled to discharge the arduous duties of their high office in uniformly good health, and exempt from serious hindrances of any kind. From one point of view it is to be noted with regret that four of our clergymen, Revs. H. St. John Rinker, Jacob Hassler, W. R. H. Deatrich and Geo. R. Zacharias, have been called away from our midst. All these were men of such sterling piety and thorough consecration to the welfare of our beloved Zion, that their demise can only be recognized as a species of loss to us who still remain. But we would not delay the attainment of their heavenly bliss, whilst we know that, though dead, they yet speak to us in sympathy and love.

In the Classical reports submitted to us this year it is also apparent, that among the *laity* of the Church there has been marked spiritual growth, and, consequent upon this, a quickened interest in the temporal concerns of the Church. Numerical increase is not so much in evidence as in some former years, but a manifest deepening of religious conviction and a

widening of the benevolent spirit is conspicuous, which, in the long run, may be expected to atone for a temporary want of numbers.

Apportionments for carrying on the general work of the Church have been received with more grace, and greater efforts have been made to meet them. More than usual endeavors have been put forth to acquaint the pastoral charges with the policies of the Mission Boards, in both branches, as well as to awaken new enthusiasm for their support.

The great importance of Sunday-school work, and other means of intensifying religious consciousness in our young people, seem to have been receiving due attention, and not without encouraging results.

Bringing within this small compass the observations which the duty assigned your Committee behooved us to make, we are glad to report that the present state of religion and morals amongst us is such as to give us occasion for devout thankfulness, with just enough of the shadow of evil upon it to admonish us that there is no time for us to be indifferent, or sink into a complacent lethargy, but be alive to the *much* which there is yet for us to do before we shall be meet for the reward of our labors. With the hope that He who has called us to this holy service will abundantly qualify us for all that still awaits us, this report is respectfully submitted.

GEO. B. RESSER, *Chairman*

(For Statistical Tables, see Appendix.)

ARTICLE XIII.

EDUCATION.

The Board of Education submitted its Annual Report to the Synod, during the session of Thursday morning, which was received, read, and then referred for consideration to the Standing Committee on Education. The report is as follows:

Report of the Board of Education.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Board of Education, through its Treasurer, begs leave to submit the following report, for the year ending October 1st, 1900.

In consequence of two of the officers of the Board of Education, as given in our last annual report to the Synod, not being re-elected as members of the Board by the last Synod, a reorganization of the Board became necessary. Accordingly the Board met in Baltimore at the close of the meeting of the Synod, and elected Rev. Joel T. Rossiter as *President*, and Rev. T. Franklin Hoffmeier as *Secretary*, Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick continuing as the *Treasurer* of the Board.

The Board held its regular annual meeting in Baltimore, Md., June 28th, 1900, when the organization for the year took place by the re-election of the officers just mentioned, the grade papers of the beneficiary students were carefully examined, showing their progress in their various studies and standing in the different educational institutions with which they stand connected, and the annual appropriations were made for the current academic year.

The grade papers and standing of two of the young men were so poor, that the Board ordered their names stricken from the list of beneficiaries. At a subsequent meeting of the Board one of the young men made an earnest plea to be re-instated, and, after a careful consideration of the case, he was re-instated, and granted an appropriation for the ensuing year; and they accordingly are omitted from this report as beneficiary students.

John W. Gilds, Charles B. Rebert, and Scott R. Wagner, all of them college graduates, were also graduated last May in theology, the last two named from the Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, Pa., and the first named from the Ursinus School of Theology, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Gilds was licensed by the Maryland Classis, Mr. Rebert by the Gettysburg Classis, and Mr. Wagner by the Carlisle Classis. They were all subsequently ordained to the work of the holy ministry and are engaged in pastoral labors.

John H. Detrich, who graduated from Franklin and Marshall College last June, was granted permission to spend a year in teaching and is now so engaged.

The other beneficiary students on our roll a year ago have been continued as such. Their standing and progress in the educational institutions with which they have been connected was satisfactory to the Board, and they have been voted appropriations in varying sums for the present school year.

The following young men have been enrolled as beneficiary students since our last annual report to the Synod, namely, Edward S. Lamar and Edward A. G. Herman, both at the request of the Maryland Classis.

Twenty-five students have been aided in their studies by funds from the treasury of the Board, during the past year, from October 1st, 1899, to October 1st, 1900, to the amount of $3,106.30. At present, twenty-two beneficiaries are on our roll, who hold their Classical connection as follows, namely: Maryland Classis, 4; Gettysburg Classis, 4; Mercersburg Classis, 3; Carlisle Classis, 3; Juniata Classis, 3; North Carolina Classis, 2; Zion's Classis, 1; and Virginia Classis, 1. They are Joshua L. Bowers, W. Stewart Cramer, John S. Heffner and John K. McKee, *Seminary Seniors;* Robert L.

Bair, Joseph E. Guy, and Charles A. Waltman, *Seminary Middlers;* Blanchard A. Black, William H. Causey, Aaron M. Gluck, and John E. Stone, *Seminary Juniors;* John Alexander, Henry W. Kochenderfer, Vernon S. Rice, and Chalmers W. Walck, *College Seniors;* Victor A. Barnhart, Dallas R. Krebs, Edward S. Lamar, Charles E. Meyers and Howard K. Miller, *College Juniors,* and Edward A. G. Herman, a *College Sophomore.*

It becomes our painful duty to inform the Synod that the Treasury of the Board was *empty,* and slightly overdrawn, at the end of the fiscal year, on the first instant, the treasurer of the Board having advanced $33.72.

The following arrearages are found existing on the apportionments for this cause, for the year, namely: Maryland Classis, $424.43; Zion's Classis, $373.70; North Carolina Classis, $225.00; Gettysburg Classis, $190.00; Virginia Classis, $150.00; and Mercersburg Classis, $107.99; making a total of $1,471.12, or more than one-third of the whole amount apportioned unpaid.

The Treasurer of the Board thankfully acknowledges the following sums as received for Beneficiary Education, during the fiscal year ending on the first of the present month, omitting dates of payment into the treasury, summarizing them when there have been two or more contributions from the same pastoral charge or congregation, and also including the amounts received from Sunday-schools, where offerings have been given by them, so as to present the sum total contributed by such pastoral charge, except in the case of those Classes where the sources of the contributions were not specified.

Report of Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Juniata Classis.—Sources of contributions not specified, $700.00.

Maryland Classis.—Sources of contributions not specified, $551.57.

Gettysburg Classis.—Emmanuel Reformed church, of Hanover, $150.00; Trinity Church, of Hanover, $40.00; Interest of Ditzler bequest, $25.00; sources of contributions not given, $245.00. Making $460.00.

Mercersburg Classis.—Zion's Church, of Chambersburg, $80.00; Mercersburg Charge, $50.00; Greencastle Church, $42.00; Grindstonehill Charge, $40.00; Shippensburg Church, $31.00; St. Paul's Charge, of Waynesboro, $29.64; St. John's Church, of Chambersburg, $25.00; St. Thomas' Charge, $15.00; Mont Alto Church, $11.00; Waynesboro Charge, $10.00; McConnellsburg Charge, $10.00; Middleburg

Church, $10.00; London Charge, $7.37. Making $361.01.

Carlisle Classis.—Zion's Charge, $72.61; Landisburg Charge, $57.40; Carlisle Church, $50.30; Newport Charge, $50.30; Mechanicsburg Church, $32.80; Duncannon Charge, $32.41; Sulphur Springs Charge, $24.30; Newburg Church, $18.71; New Bloomfield Church, $11.17. Making $350.00.

Virginia Classis.—Sources of contributions not specified, $150.00.

Zion's Classis.—Heidelberg Church, of York, $34.28; Trinity Charge, $26.09; St. John's Charge, $9.20; Kreutz Creek Charge, $8.43; Mount Pleasant Charge, $3.30; advanced by the treasurer of Classis, $25.00. Making $106.30.

North Carolina Classis.—Sources of contributions not given, $75.00.

Miscellaneous—Refunded by R., a former beneficiary student, $145.00; one year's interest on Jacob Stoudenour legacy, $10.00. Making $155.00.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury at last report, October 1st, 1899		$ 169 40
Received from Juniata Classis		700 00
" " Maryland Classis		551 57
" " Gettysburg Classis		460 00
" " Mercersburg Classis		361 01
" " Carlisle Classis		350 00
" " Virginia Classis		150 00
" " Zion's Classis		106 30
" " North Carolina Classis		75 00
" " Miscellaneous		155 00
Total receipts		$3,078 28

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS.

Paid to beneficiary students of Gettysburg Classis		$ 675 00
" " Juniata Classis		525 00
" " Maryland Classis		500 00
" " Mercersburg Classis		500 00
" " Carlisle Classis		475 00
" " North Carolina Classis		225 00
" " Zion's Classis		106 30
" " Virginia Classis		100 00
Postage, revenue stamps and stationery		5 70
Making		$3,112 00

Thus leaving a balance due the treasurer of $33.72.

By order of the Board of Education,

WM. M. DEATRICK, *Treasurer.*

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT.

It is hereby certified that we have carefully audited the foregoing report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education, comparing it with the vouchers, and have found it correct.

GEO. B. RESSER,
T. F. HOFFMEIER,
J. W. SANTEE.

Report of the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College.

The Board of Regents of Mercersburg College presented its annual report to the Synod, during the session of Wednesday forenoon, which was received and then referred to the Standing Committee on Education. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The Board of Regents of Mercersburg College beg leave to report as follows:

At our annual meeting in June last the Board organized by re-electing the same officers as those of last year. It gives us great pleasure to report that the past year was the most successful in the history of the institution. During the year closing June, 1900, there were in attendance one hundred and eighty-five boys. Of this number sixty-five were graduated.

For the year ending June, 1900, the receipts of the school were $36,073.41. Expenses of school, including salaries paid, $29,514.55. Earnings above expenses, $6,558.86.

The opening of the school this year was under the most favorable auspices. One hundred and eighty-two pupils are on the roll: fourteen are day pupils and one hundred and sixty-eight are boarders—a gain of twenty boarders over last year. There are sixteen members in the faculty. Since the first of June, 1899, Keil Hall has been building. This beautiful structure, built, in Colonial Style, of brick, and trimmed with Warsaw blue stone, will be dedicated during the present meeting of Synod. The hall is named in memory of Mrs. Sarah Salome Keil by reason of the generosity of her son, an old Mercersburg boy, Mr. Jacob T. Keil, of Pittsburg, Pa. Keil Hall contains rooms for fifty-two boys, dining room, kitchen, dish closet, bake room, heating cellar, lavatory, store-room and servants' dining room. Many of the best artists in the country have shared in the finishing of the dining room. The total cost of Keil Hall, including water system, is $45,000.00, of which amount $18,000.00 has been subscribed. It is proposed to meet the rest of the cost by subscriptions yet to be gathered and by the clearings of the school.

We feel that the giver of all good has blessed this institution most wonderfully. From obscurity it has risen to the fore rank of academies for boys. We hope that your reverend body will aid this school in every possible way. We assert, with great confidence, that it merits your support.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Rush Gillan, *President.*

Report of the Board of Directors of the Woman's College of Frederick, Md.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The Directors of the Woman's College of Frederick, Md., beg leave to submit the following report:

The same officers were elected at the reorganization last spring. The year was a successful one. The intellectual, moral and Christian bearing of the College was never better. In every department there was improvement over preceding years. Our last commencement was the best in the history of the institution.

The whole number of students enrolled for the year was 157. Of these fifteen were graduated; three in the Classical; three in the Scientific, and one in the Certificate Course; one in voice; one in Piano; two in Mandolin, and four in the School of Expression.

The total receipts for the year were $15,620.87.

Expenses, including supplies, rents, salaries, repairs, etc., $15,363.17.

Earnings above all expenses, $255.70.

We had in hand on June 10th, 1900, as assets, in fixtures, furniture, supplies, etc., $3,200.

The rentals of the College and Conservatory Buildings for the year are paid.

The accounts of the several Treasurers have been examined and found correct.

Endowment Fund invested, $22.538.42.

Notes, pledges and subscriptions due, $735.

During the past summer, in addition to the usual improvements made in papering, painting, etc., two enamel baths were substituted for the old ones in the East Building, and a modern steam laundry plant was placed in the basement at the cost of $1,250.

A contract has been given for the permanent seating of College Hall, with 300 comfortable opera chairs, the work to be completed this month, at a cost of $435, of which amount the Frederick Female Seminary Board pays $290.

There have been several changes in the Faculty, by which it has been the better complemented and strengthened.

The College reopened September 13, 1900, under auspicious circumstances. The total number enrolled at this date for the year is 144.

The standard of scholarship has been gradually raised and the work extended. While this increases our efficiency, it also increases our wants. The Physical Laboratory needs better equipment and the Library is susceptible of improvement.

On comparison, our rates will be found lower than those

of any equally equipped institution in the land. At present, our entire income, including the interest from our Endowment Fund, does little more than meet our running expenses. To raise our rates would exclude many of those who most need and deserve a college course. You will see, therefore, that to make the institution thoroughly effective, we need the additional endowment authorized by the Synod. We must have more than passive moral support. In the twentieth century, we must keep step with the most aggressive colleges in the land, if we are properly to serve the church and our generation. Our College was late in entering the field, and she has not yet been assigned a place in the benefactions of the Church. We therefore ask you, to challenge our pastors and thoughtful members, to consider the claims of those who shall be the mothers of the next century, and who, therefore, will have a controlling influence in moulding future generations.

Mr. John A. Singer, elected a member of the Board at the last Synod, has declined his election. His resignation is hereby announced to Synod and his successor should be chosen, to enter at once upon the duties of the office.

The time of service of A. C. McCardell will expire with December 31, 1900. His successor should be chosen at this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. ESCHBACH,

OCT. 22, 1900. *President of Board.*

Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

BRETHREN: The undersigned respectfully submits to your reverend body the annual report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary for the year 1899-1900.

1. The work of the Seminary for the year began Sept. 14, 1899, and was continued without interruption, all the professors having been in attendance.

2. Thirteen students were admitted to the Junior Class. Of these one was advised by the Board to discontinue his studies. The others were advanced, after having sustained their examinations, to the Middle Year. They are: R. L. Bair, J. M. Bean, P. J. Dundore, E. N. Evans, J. E. Guy, W. G. Haupt, F. P. Miller, J. O. Oswald, E. T. Rhodes, J. H. Smith, J. Von Holt, H. P. Walter. Total 12.

3. The Middle Class consisted of students who were admitted into the Junior Class in September, 1898, but with some changes.

One, by reason of long-continued illness was advised to resume his studies with the Junior Class; one discontinued his studies for the ministry; one failed to report either in per-

son or by letter. A. F. Nace, a former student, and F. W. Kennedy were admitted. The latter accepted a professorship in Heidelberg University, and severed his connection with the class in April last. The members of this class, after having sustained their examinations were advanced to the Senior Class. Total 24.

4. The Senior Class consisted of the following members: J. W. Albertson, J. P. Dieffenderfer, V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., A. K. Faust, E. M. Hartman, R. M. Kern, I. S. Leiby, C. B. Rebert, J. E. Sheetz, S. R. Wagner, W. H. Warner, C. E. Zimmerman. Of the above V. W. Dippell and E. M. Hartman were admitted at the beginning of the Academical year, and A. K. Faust has been appointed by the Church a missionary to Japan. These gentlemen sustained approved examinations and were granted the usual testimonials. C. T. Isenberger, a member of the M. E. Church, was dismissed during the year on his own request to Drew Theological Seminary. Total 12.

5. In addition to their studies the students have engaged in practical religious work, in the Sunday-school, pulpit and various forms of missionary activity. No case of serious discipline occurred during the year.

6. Arrangements were made with the Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College to continue the course in elocution and oratory by the employment of Prof. Claude B. Davis, whose past instruction has been greatly appreciated by the students and commended by the faculty.

7. The Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., proposed to your reverend body one year ago, to pay over twelve hundred dollars of accrued interest on the Swander Fund, of which he is agent, said payment to be made so soon as the Pittsburgh Synod and the Seminary Faculty should have made arrangements for its use. The Pittsburgh Synod proposed that the money should be used for a temporary lectureship and requested the faculty to appoint Rev. J. I. Swander as the first lecturer on this foundation. The faculty, lacking the power to establish a lectureship without the joint action of the three Synods, or to appoint a lecturer on the foundation of the proposed lectureship without the authority of the Board of Visitors, referred the recommendation of the Pittsburg Synod to the Board of Visitors. At the same time the faculty invited Dr. Swander to deliver a course of two or three lectures before the faculty and students of the Theological Seminary on such subject and at such time as might be agreed upon by himself and the faculty.

The following action of the Board of Visitors relative to the foregoing recommendation is respectfully referred to the consideration of the three Synods.

I. We recommend the establishment of such a temporary lectureship as is suggested by the Pittsburgh Synod; that the

matter be referred to the three Synods for approval; and that Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., be chosen as the first lecturer.

II. In the event of approval by the Synods the faculty in conjunction with Dr. J. I. Swander shall arrange for the lectures, determining the subjects, the lectures and the compensation to be paid them.

8. The Board respectfully overtures the three Synods requesting that they provide the sum of six hundred dollars ($600.00) for the year 1900-1901 for a teacher of elocution to be divided as follows: Eastern Synod $300, Pittsburgh Synod $100, Synod of the Potomac $200.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER,

HARRISBURG, PA., Oct. 3, 1900. *Secretary.*

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

During the past year the Board held one special and two regular meetings.

The special meeting was held March 28th, 1900, to authorize the sale of the Simmons property, which the Board was obliged to buy in 1896.

The first regular meeting was held on May 10th, 1900, when the following officers were elected: President, Geo. N. Forney; Vice-President, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth; and Secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess.

At this meeting the Treasurer was authorized to make a deduction of $2,000 in the Endowment Fund to cover the loss arising from the sale of the Simmons property.

A communication (a copy of which is herewith enclosed) was received from Rev. Dr. J. I. Swander, agent of the "Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Memorial Fund," whereupon the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board and of the church are due to Mr. and Mrs. Dr. J. I. Swander for this additional exhibition of their noble beneficence to the Theological Seminary, and that the Board accepts the same with heartfelt gratitude upon terms and stipulations substantially similar to that governing the $12,000 bequest already conveyed.

The following minute was adopted relative to the death of Frank Geise, Esq., a brother member of the Board:

The Board deeply laments the death of their co-laborer and place on record their high appreciation of his services in the position he held as member of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary. He was deeply interested in the work of the church and of the Seminary, and was always ready and willing to make any sacrifice in their behalf. His Christian character and gentlemanly bearing made themselves felt in the county in which he lived, in the church he loved, and in every sphere in which he was called to labor. The Board feels sensible of the loss they have sustained and shall miss his wise counsel in their deliberations, and express their sympathy by ordering this memorial to be spread upon their minutes.

The second regular meeting was held October 9th, 1900. After an examination of the investments of the Endowment Fund and a comparison of the income thereof with the annual expenses, the Board passed the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, owing to reduced rates of interest received from the securities held by the Board, and owing to the increased expenses, incurred annually since the erection of the Seminary building, the income from the Endowment Fund is not sufficient to meet the necessary expenses of the institution, therefore

Resolved, That the attention of the church be called to the fact that there will be an annual deficit until such time, when said Endowment Fund is increased by will or otherwise, and

Resolved, That the Synods be again requested to apportion two thousand ($2,000) dollars towards the payment of the current expenses of the Seminary in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod	$900 00
Potomac Synod	600 00
Pittsburgh Synod	300 00

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS,
Secretary.

HELLERTOWN, October 9th, 1900.

TIFFIN, OHIO, April 6, 1900.

To the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, located at Lancaster. Pa.:

GENTLEMEN: It is with pleasure that I submit this my second annual report as agent for the management of "The Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Memorial Fund," at present in my possession as custodian.

You will see by reference to my first report dated April 30, 1899, that I had on hand and in bank $1,105.50. Interest collected during the year as follows:

On Investment No. 1, Mrs. Amsden's note.....	$240 00
On Investment No. 2, the Morcher note.....	146 25
On Investment No. 3, the Orson Jopp note.....	195 00
On Investment No. 4, my personal note.....	30 00
Total	$1,716 75

The above amount is subject to order as per terms of the deed of conveyance. There has been no occasion for re-investment of the principal. Your agent agreed with Mr. Jopp that he is to keep his $3,000 until April 1st, 1903, at 5½ per cent. payable annually.

On the 12th day of last December I received $5,000 from a certain friend of mine and invested the same in a loan on good real estate in the town of Norwalk, Huron county, Ohio, for 5 years at 6 per cent. payable semi-annually (principal and interest) to "J. I. Swander, agent," for "The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary located at Lancaster, Pa." It is the intention of the donor that your agent shall formally convey the same to your honorable Board at an early date upon terms and stipulations substantially similar to those governing the $12,000 bequest already conveyed.

I may further add that it seems highly probable that at an early date there will be invested $3,000 additional to make the fund in all $20,000, should Pittsburgh Synod, your honorable Board and all other interested parties and Boards agree to receive it, and agree as to the manner the fund may be put to work for the benefit of the Seminary and the advancement of Christological truth.

In the meantime I am as ever,

Respectfully,

J. I. SWANDER, *Agent.*

Treasurer's Report.

SMALTZ FUND.

		Principal		$5,000 00
1900.		DR.		
Oct.	1.	For interest on same to date.....	$250 00	
1900.		CR.		
Sept.	5.	By interest paid John Hartzler, Treasurer of Beneficiary Board...	$250 00	

WM. A. WILT FUND.

		Principal		$833 33
		Interest on same to October 1, 1900, $41.66, is accounted for in Treasurer's current expense account.		

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

1900.				
Oct.	1.	Amount of fund is.....		$2,000 75

1900.		DR.		
May	8.	For amount due fund May 8, 1899..	$13 47	
May	8.	For amount interest due fund May 8, 1900	94 20	
			$107 67	
1900.		CR.		
May	8.	By amount paid prize to V. W. Dippell as per award of Committee $100 00		
		Sundry expenses 2 00	$102 00	
May	8.	Balance due fund.....		$5 67

SACRED RHETORIC PRIZE FUND.

1899.				
May	8.	The amount of fund is.....		$470 47
1900.		DR.		
May	8.	For interest due fund.....	$23 27	
1900.		CR.		
May	8.	By amount paid prize to S. Cramer per award of Committee $20 00		
		Per sundry charges..... 50	20 50	
		Balance added to principal.....		2 77
		Amount of fund.....		$473 24

THE JOHN L. RIEGEL ENDOWMENT FUND.

1900.				
May	8.	The amount of fund is.....		$15,680 00
Oct.	1.	All interest received on this fund to October 1, 1900, is charged in Treasurer's current expense account to that date.		
		Jacob Forney Seminary Alcove Fund.....		$1,000 00
1900.		DR.		
		For Bal. due fund, Oct. 1, 1899.....		$145 22
Oct.	1.	For Int. due fund, Oct. 1, 1900.....		45 00
				$190 22
1900.		CR.		
Jan.	25.	By cash paid Rev. J. C. Bowman.....	$40 00	
Apr.	27.	By cash paid Talmud Pub. Co.....	5 10	
May	23.	By cash paid Saml. Auxer, bill.....	33 75	
Sept.	6.	By cash paid Talmud Pub. Co.....	2 50	
Sept.	18.	By cash paid Saml. Auxer.....	2 93	84 28
		Bal. due Jacob Forney Fund.....		$105 94

HENRY WIRT SEMINARY ALCOVE FUND.

		The amount of fund is.....		$1,000 00
1900.		DR.		
Oct.	1.	For amount due fund to date.....	$142 60	
1899.		CR.		
Dec.	11.	By amount paid Rev. J. C. Bowman.	41 54	
1900.				
Oct.	1.	Balance due fund.....	$101 06	

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SHRIVER ALCOVE FUND.

1900.				
Oct.	1.	The amount of fund is.....		$1,000 00
1900.		Dr.		
Oct.	1.	For amount interest due fund to date.	$71 67	
1899.				
Dec.	9.	For check received of Louis E. Shriver	20 00	
		Amount due fund.....	$91 67	

SEMINARY CLASS 1894 ALCOVE FUND.

		For amount of notes in hand of Treasurer, dating July 1, 1894.....		$981 00
1900.		Cr.		
Oct.	1.	By amount of notes paid to date.....		428 00
				$553 00

Amount of unpaid notes in hands of Treasurer $553 and interest on fund to Oct. 1, 1900, is $25.14.

LECTURE FUND STATEMENT.

1900.		No endowment.	
Oct.	1.	Bal. in hands of Treasurer is.....	$38 56

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

1899.			
Oct.	9.	For amount received of Eastern Synod, John J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	$272 23
Oct.	21.	For amount received of Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treasurer.....	40 00
1900.			
Apr.	30.	For amount received of Pittsburgh Synod, D. H. Leader, Treasurer.....	$200 00
May	12.	For amount received of Philadelphia Classis, Rev. J. B. Henry, Treasurer.....	49 40
May	17.	For amount received of E. Susquehanna Classis, Geo. Hill, Treasurer.....	37 22
May	25.	For amount received of Tohickon Classis, I. G. Gerhart, Treasurer.....	84 66
June	9	For amount received of Eastern Synod, John J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	100 94
June	12.	For amount received of Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treasurer.....	419 18
Aug.	1.	For amount received of Eastern Synod, John J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	415 18
Sept.	12.	For amount received of Pittsburgh Synod, D. H. Leader, Treasurer.....	200 00
Sept.	17.	For amount received of Eastern Synod, John J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	167 00
Sept.	29.	For amount received of Eastern Synod, John J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	71 50
			$2,057 31

1900.		Cr.		
Sept.	14.	By amount transferred to Cr. Seminary ground account	$300 00	
Sept.	14.	By amount interest paid Endowment Fund	388 73	

Sept. 29.	By amount balance transferred to current expense account.....	1368 58		
				$2,057 31

PITTSBURG PROFESSORSHIP FUND.

1899.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of fund reported.....		$29,874 64
Nov. 2.	Amount received of Rev. D. A. Souders.....		105 00
1900.			
May 22.	Amount received of the Sarah Musick Bequest.		500 00
			$30,479 64
1900.	Dr.		
Oct. 1.	For Sundry interests received on fund to October 1, 1900.....	$2010 99	
1900.	Cr.		
Oct. 1.	By sundry payments made Wm. Rupp, D. D., as per vouchers to October 1, 1900	$2010 99	

ENDOWMENT FUND STATEMENT.

1899.			
Oct. 1.	For amount reported to Board.....		$95,958 87
1900.			
Sept. 21.	For amount received of J. W. B. Bausman, Treasurer of Franklin and Marshall College, from the Wilhelm estate, to June, 1900.		693 94
			$96,652 81
	Less for loss in sale of the Simmons property..		2,000 00
			$94,652 81

STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

1900.		
Oct. 1.	Endowment Fund.....	$94,652 81
	Library Fund.....	1,819 96
	Smaltz Fund.....	5,000 00
	W. A. Wilt Fund.....	833 33
	Schaff Prize Fund.....	2,000 75
	Sacred Rhetoric Fund.....	473 24
	John L. Reigel Fund.....	15,680 00
	Jacob Forney Fund.....	1,000 00
	Henry Wirt Fund.....	1,000 00
	Louis E. Schriver Fund.....	1,000 00
	Seminary Class, '94, Fund.....	981 00
	Pittsburgh Professorship Fund.....	30,479 64
		$154,920 73

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ROTH.

Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

LANCASTER, Oct. 1, 1900.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary, respectfully report that we have attended to the duty assigned us, and find the accounts as presented correct.

JOHN W. APPEL,
JOHN D. SKILES,
Committee.

LANCASTER, Oct. 4, 1900.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The Trustees of Catawba College beg leave to present the following report:

The number of students in attendance during the last scholastic year was one hundred and sixty-two. Of these twenty-three were in the collegiate department and the rest were in the lower departments. The graduating class of 1900 was the largest in the history of the institution, numbering eight. Of these six were young men and two were young ladies. Two of the young men are students for the ministry. One of these is now in the Seminary, at Lancaster, and the other in the Ursinus School of Theology, at Philadelphia. Last year was a prosperous year.

The improvements upon and additions to the Ladies' Boarding Hall were completed during the year. The Hall is now nicely fitted up and is a convenient and comfortable home for the lady boarders. Catawba is now well equipped for receiving and educating the girls of the church.

Considerable repairs, refitting and painting have been done upon the main College buildings. The grounds have been improved and new fences built. The Library is being added to all the while and is now a United States Government Depository.

No additions were made to the Endowment Fund during the year, which is to be greatly regretted. Synod should take measures to complete the $17,000.00 endowment.

Allow us to call the attention of Synod to the necessity of this fund and to urge that steps be taken to complete it as speedily as possible.

The Treasurer's receipts during the last scholastic year amounted to $5,500.00. Of this $1,500.00 was a loan and this was expended on the improvements. If the obligations of Synod to the College should be promptly met, and the interest on the Endowment and tuition bills paid with reasonable promptness, the annual receipts would be sufficient to meet the current expenses. We ask the Synod to urge upon Classes and pastors to raise the amounts apportioned for the College. We have been depending upon the aid promised and employed all teachers with the expectation of receiving it, and unless it is forthcoming the College will greatly suffer in the near future for the lack of funds to carry on its work.

Changes in the teaching force have been made during the past year. Rev. Jacob C. Clapp, D.D., for so many years the honored President of the institution, resigned during the Commencement week last May. His resignation was accepted by the Trustees at a subsequent meeting, and the Hon. Charles H.

Mebane, now Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina was elected President. He has taken charge of the work and will devote his entire time to the College after the first of January, 1901, his office of State Superintendent expiring at that time.

Prof. Jacob C. Leonard B.D., resigned the chair of English at the same time. His resignation was accepted and Prof. Louis R. Wilson, A.B., was elected to that place.

Rev. Joseph L. Murphy was elected President of the Board of Trustees in place of Judge M. L. McCorkle, deceased.

We refer with great satisfaction and pride to the interest taken a year ago in Catawba College by the Ohio Synod, the Pittsburgh Synod and the Eastern Synod by appropriating funds for the new buildings.

While no definite plans for the new buildings have been decided upon, and while it was thought best by the Trustees not to attempt to erect the buildings this year, the matter has not been abandoned, and it is hoped that work will be begun early in the summer of 1901, and that it will be pushed to a speedy completion. We ask the sympathy and aid of our friends throughout the Church in this noble enterprise.

The outlook for the College is good. Increased interest is manifested in our work at Catawba. We have one hundred and thirty-seven students on our roll and doubtless many additions will be made from time to time during the present year. Every effort is being put forth to increase the efficiency of the College, and we confidently look forward to the time in the near future when Catawba College will stand in the front rank among the best Colleges in our Southland.

The terms of the following Trustees will expire in 1901: Hon. L. R. Whitener, J. F. Smyre, P. W. Whitener, M. J. Rowe, W. E. Deal, and W. A. Pence, and their successors should be chosen at this meeting of Synod. Asking the continued interest and sympathy of the Synod in our educational work in the South, this report is

Most respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH L. MURPHY, *President.*

Report of the Committee on Education.

The Standing Committee on Education, to whom the foregoing reports had been referred, reported during the session of Monday afternoon, which was received, considered item by item, amended, and then adopted as a whole. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Education respectfully reports. The following documents were referred to us for consideration:

The Catalogue of Franklin and Marshall College and of the Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, Pa.

The Catalogue of the Woman's College, at Frederick, Md.

The Catalogue and Prospectus of Massanutten Academy.

The Report of Rev. J. S. Stahr, D.D., President of Franklin and Marshall College.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

The Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.

The Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

The Report of the Directors of the Woman's College, Frederick, Md.

The Report of the Board of Education of this Synod.

The Report of the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College.

A communication from Pittsburg Synod with reference to the Swander Lectureship in the Theological Seminary.

From these documents we rejoice to learn of the prosperity of the several institutions of learning under the care of this Synod. Without exception all our schools are in a prosperous condition.

From the report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College we learn with pleasure of the increasing prosperity of our institutions at Lancaster. A larger number of students are enrolled in the College and Academy than ever before in the history of these institutions. Sixty-six new men were enrolled in the College and over fifty in the Academy this fall. The equipment of the College is steadily increasing; and, when the new Science Building is finished, the College will be fully prepared to do all the work the Church may rightly demand.

In view of all these facts we offer the following:

Resolved, That the College with its increasing needs be commended anew to the interest, support and prayers of the pastors and people within the bounds of the Synod of the Potomac.

Resolved, That men and women endowed with abundant means be called upon to consecrate more of their wealth to the holy cause of Christian education.

Resolved, That we place the Synod upon record as heartily endorsing the work of collecting funds for the Science Building, and ask pastors and people to respond without further delay to the call for immediate subscriptions to the Science Building Fund.

Resolved, That Franklin and Marshall Academy be recommended to the confidence and support of parents who have

sons to educate. A large proportion of students, after completing their Academic work here, enter the Freshman Class of Franklin and Marshall College.

From the report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary we learn that, ownig to reduced rates of interest received from the securities held by the Board, and owing to the increased expenses incurred annually since the erection of the Seminary Building, the income is insufficient to meet the necessary expenses of the Seminary.

In view of this fact we offer the following:

Resolved, That the attention of the Church be called to the imperative necessity of increasing the Endowment Fund, and that our pastors be urged to co-operate with the Seminary Faculty in bringing the needs of the Seminary before those who are in a position to increase the endowment.

Resolved, That in response to the request of the Board of Trustees we again apportion $600 temporarily to meet the deficiency in the income of the Seminary.

From the report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary we learn that Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., has proposed to pay $1,200, accrued interest on the Swander Fund, as soon as the Seminary Faculty shall have made arrangements for its use. The Pittsburgh Synod proposes that the money shall be used for a lectureship. We recommend the following for adoption:

Resolved, That this Synod authorizes the establishment by the Board of Visitors of a lectureship, the expense of which shall be met by the accrued interest, referred to above; and that Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., be chosen as the first lecturer.

Resolved, That in response to the request of the Board we again apportion $200 towards meeting the expense of providing a teacher of elocution.

The report of the Board of Education calls attention to its empty treasury, and also to the fact that $33.72 are due the Treasurer, this amount having been advanced by him to meet the obligations of the Board. In view of this fact we recommend the following:

Resolved, That the Synod calls the attention of the Classes to this matter and urges upon them the necessity of providing for a more prompt and hearty support of the work of the Board.

From the report of the Directors of the Woman's College of Frederick, Md., we learn that the past year has been the most successful one in the history of this young and vigorous institution. In every department there was an improvement over preceding years. The number of students enrolled during the last year was 157, of whom 14 were graduated at the

last Commencement. The total receipts for the year were $15,-620.87, the expenses $15,363.17, leaving a balance in the treasury of $255.70. On June 10, 1900, the institution had on hand, as assets, in furniture, fixtures, supplies, etc., $3,200. The invested Endowment Fund is $22,533.42. We note with satisfaction the number of improvements, which have been made in the equipment of the School. The enrolment of the present year to date is 144.

We offer the following for your adoption:

Resolved, That we note with satisfaction the continued prosperity of the Woman's College, and commend it anew to the patronage and support of the Church.

Resolved, That we urge upon all our pastors the importance of bringing the advantages of this institution to the favorable notice of all our families which may have daughters to educate.

Resolved, That in order to increase the efficiency and usefulness of the College it is important that its Endowment Fund should be increased, and that we commend it to all persons of means within our bounds and elsewhere as an object worthy of their benefactions.

From the report of the Regents of Mercersburg College the following facts are gleaned, which call for particular attention. Last year was the most successful in the history of the institution; yet the first term of the present year shows an increased attendance. One hundred and eighty-two students are on the roll. There is a gain of twenty boarders over last year. The earnings of the School last year exceeded the expenses by $6,558. A new building, known as Keil Hall, a modern and completely equipped college building, constructed of good material and artistically decorated, is finished and is ready for use.

Your Committee offers the following for the consideration of the Synod:

1. The Board of Regents and President William Mann Irvine, Ph.D., are hereby congratulated upon the continued prosperity and growth of Mercersburg College.

2. The Synod again commends the College to our Reformed people and particularly to the fathers and mothers of the Church, whose confidence the institution deserves.

3. The Synod learns with pleasure of the completion of Keil Hall, named in memory of Mrs. Sarah Salome Keil, by reason of the generosity of her son, Mr. Jacob T. Keil, of Pittsburg, Pa., a former student of Mercersburg College, and expresses its appreciation of the liberality of Mr. Keil and others who have already contributed to the sum needed for the erection of this building.

4. In order that the money needed for the full payment

of Keil Hall may be in hand at an early date, attention is called to the remaining indebtedness, and our people are respectfully asked to give their confidence and aid to the representatives of the College.

From the report of the Trustees of Catawba College we learn with pleasure of the continued prosperity of this institution in the South. During the past scholastic year 162 students were in attendance, of whom 8 were graduated at the last Commencement. Improvements have been made in the Ladies' Boarding Hall, on the main College buildings, and on the grounds.

The attention of the Synod is called to the importance of completing the endowment of $17,000, which this Synod has undertaken to raise for the College. The Synod is also respectfully, but earnestly, requested to raise the amount apportioned for the College, inasmuch as all teachers are employed with the expectation of receiving it.

Rev. J. C. Clapp, D.D., who for many years was the President of the institution, has resigned. The position was filled by the election of Hon. Chas. H. Mebane, who is now Superintendent of Public Instruction in the State of North Carolina, and who has taken charge of the work, and is expected to give his entire time to the College after January, 1901.

The following is offered for adoption:

Resolved, That all the Classes in this Synod are urged to assume the entire amount apportioned for Catawba College, and that all the congregations be urgently requested to pay the entire apportionment.

With reference to Massanutten Academy the following is offered:

Resolved, That we rejoice in the prosperity of this, the youngest educational institution of the Reformed Church; and that we recommend it to the earnest consideration and the liberal support of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. SCHAEFFER, *Chairman.*

The chairman of the committee to aid in the endowment of the Woman's College at Frederick, Md,. under item 3 of the Report on Minutes of Synod, reported that the committee had not held any meeting during the past year. The committee was continued, and somewhat changed, as follows: Revs. F. A. Rupley, Jr., A. S. Weber, I. M. Motter, M. O. Noll, H. M. J. Klein, J. D. Andrew, W. E. Krebs, L. T. Lampe, and E. O. Keen.

Under item 4 of the Report on Minutes of Synod, the following report was presented and adopted:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee to assist the Financial Secretary of Franklin and Marshall College in raising funds for the erection of the Science Building, at Lancaster, held one meeting during the year and several meetings in connection with this meeting of the Synod. At a meeting held at Hanover, Pa., on April 30, 1900, your Committee requested the members of the Faculty of the College to assist the Committee and the Financial Secretary in canvassing the various charges in the Synod. Owing to various causes, but mainly to the fact that so many other worthy objects claimed the attention of our pastors and congregations, comparatively little was done during the year. Only three charges were canvassed during the year, the Financial Secretary having devoted the larger portion of his time and energy to work in the Eastern and Pittsburgh Synods.

The whole amount pledged towards the amount needed for the building is $27,322.45, while the amount needed to complete the building is $55,000. Of the pledges secured this Synod has given $4,758.75, of which $253.25 remains unpaid. As Potomac Synod's section of the building will cost $15,000 there remains a little more than $10,000 still to be raised.

In the judgment of your Committee it is imperative that the work should be speedily pushed to completion. The Science Building is now well under way; and it ought to be completed within hte year. In order that it may be accomplished, it is imperative that the pastors open the door for the canvass of their respective charges. The President of the College has assured your Committee that both he and Dr. Schiedt are willing to give every possible assistance in presenting the cause of the College to our people in canvassing the several charges

Your Committee, therefore, offers the following for adoption:

Resolved, That this Synod recognizes the imperative need for immediate and vigorous action on the part of all our pastors and charges in the work of raising funds for the completion of the Science Building of Franklin and Marshall College.

Resolved, That the pastors of the Synod are urgently requested to make arrangements speedily for the presentation of this object to their people.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. SCHAEFFER, *Chairman.*

At the election for the several Boards of the Synod, held during the session of Monday forenoon, Revs. E. R. Eschbach and A. S. Weber were re-elected members of the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College for the term of ten

years; Revs. W. C. Schaeffer, T. F. Hoffmeier, and J. D. Miller were elected members of the Board of Education for the term of three years; Revs. G. B. Resser, I. N. Peightel, and Elder S. Hoeflich were chosen Regents of Mercersburg College for the period of three years; Elder A. C. McCardel for five years and Elder J. Gassman for four years, Directors of Woman's College; Revs. E. R. Eschbach and J. W. Santee were elected members of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, for four years; Elders Jacob H. Schriver and J. Taylor Motter were chosen Trustees of the Theological Seminary for six years, and E. A. Shulenberger for four years.

The following persons were nominated at the same time for membership in the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, to be elected by the North Carolina Classis, to wit: Elders L. R. Whitner, L. M. Peeler, M. J. Rowe, and L. Everhart.

The following persons constitute the Board of Education, the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College, the Board of Directors of the Woman's College, and Synod's members of the Board of Visitors, and Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., and their terms of service, namely:

Board of Education: Revs. W. C. Schaeffer, T. F. Hoffmeier, and J. D. Miller, for three years; Revs. G. B. Resser, A. S. Weber, and I. N. Peightel, for two years; Revs. W. M. Deatrick, J. W. Santee, and J. T. Rossiter, for one year.

Regents of Mercersburg College: Revs. G. B. Resser, I. N. Peightel, and Elder S. Hoeflich, for three years; Revs. F. F. Bahner, T. F. Hoffmeier, and M. O. Noll, for two years; Elder A. R. Schnebly, and Revs. C. A. Santee, and J. B. Shontz, for one year.

Directors of Woman's College: Elder A. C. McCardel, for five years; J. Gassman, for four years; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, for three years; Rev. C. S. Slagle, for two years and Elder W. H. Lakin, for one year.

Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary: Revs. E. R. Eschbach and J. W. Santee, for four years; Revs. J. S. Kieffer and W. C. Schaeffer, for two years.

Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary: Elders J. H. Schriver and J. T. Motter, for six years; Elders J. H. Cost and E. A. Shulenberger, for four years; Elders I. Laucks and S. N. Hench, for two years.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The Annual Reports of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions and of the Treasurer of said Board, of the General Board of Home Missions, and the Report of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were severally refer-

red to the Standing Committee on Missions for consideration. The Committee presented its report during the session of Saturday afternoon, which was received, considered item by item, and then adopted as a whole. These reports will be found subjoined in their proper places, to wit:

Report of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

DEAR BRETHREN: Concerning the work of the past year your Board of Missions presents the following items:

1. *New Fields.* Pastors have been secured for new missions within your bonds as follows: Palatinate, Philadelphia, Pa.; St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.; Packerton, Pa.; High Point and Lexington, N. C., and St. Mark's Baltimore, Md. These enrollments were all made by the General Board, notwithstanding the fact of a large debt; but they were made also in the good hope that the Church will see the necessity of this enlarged work in promising fields and will come to the help of these missions.

2. *Loans pledged.* Your Board found it necessary to pledge more money than is now in the treasury for the building of churches in our missions; and we trust that special effort may be made to secure Church-building Funds toward meeting this large demand. Only as we help our missions to secure permanent homes can we expect them to prosper as they should.

3. *Church-building Funds* have been received as follows: The Blanche Harnish Fund, from the estate of Miss Blanche Harnish, of the Alexandria charge, Huntingdon county, Pa.; The Gettysburg Classis Fund, completed by said Classis; The William Calvin Blessing Fund, from Mrs. George P. Blessing, of Martinsburg, W. Va., in loving memory of her only son; and The Memorial Thank-offering Fund, from the Sunday-school of St. Paul's Church, Reading, Pa.

4. *The Church in Washington, D. C.* We again bring to your attention the building of a Memorial Church in the National Capitol. This matter has in various ways been brought to the attention of the Church during the last twelve months, and efforts have been made to secure $30,000 for this purpose; but up to this time not quite $4,000 have been paid. This money is in charge of Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treasurer of Maryland Classis, subject to the order of the trustees of that body. and is on interest. We trust that the Synods may give to the work such impetus as will speed it to early completion.

5. *A grateful offering.* The Mission in Stockton, Cal., being unable to maintain its existence, sold its church property by authority of the District Court; and the trustees, in consid-

eration of help received from this Board many years ago, paid into our treasury the net proceeds, $1,362.10. For this gift the Board of course made grateful acknowledgement to the trustees and members. It is proper to add that this gift enabled the Board to restore to its original amount the Jacob Welker legacy of $4,200, $1,250 of which were lost by depreciation of value in the church property in Sioux City, Ia., lately sold to the General Board of Home Missions.

6. *The treasurer's report.* The report of Elder John J. Nissley, treasurer of your Board, is herewith transmitted as part of this report; and we again call attention to its valuable details.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. WHITMER,
Superintendent of Missions.

Treasurer's Report.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States:

1.—FOR HOME MISSIONS.

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FROM EASTERN SYNOD.

Philadelphia Classis	$1,634 54	
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,521 46	
Tohickon Classis	961 41	
East Pennsylvania Classis	1,063 78	
Lebanon Classis	1,110 18	
Lancaster Classis	1,169 79	
Schuylkill Classis	1,667 44	
East Susquehanna Classis	958 38	
West Susquehanna Classis	1,224 58	
Lehigh Classis	1,557 38	
Wyoming Classis	801 03	
Reading Classis	1,845 86	$14,915 83

FROM SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.

Maryland Classis	$2,543 06	
Juniata Classis	1,375 00	
Zion's Classis	332 16	
Mercersburg Classis	870 82	
Gettysburg Classis	75 00	
Carlisle Classis	751 31	
North Carolina Classis	295 72	
Virginia Classis	350 00	$6,593 07

FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES.

Harvey E. Swartz, Reading, Pa.	$5 00
Rev. F. L. Kerr, Meadville, Pa.	5 00
Elder E. H. Burkholder, Farmersville, Pa.	25 00
Mrs. Adalaide F. Gast, Lancaster, Pa.	10 00
B. Schmitt, Woodstock, Va.	50 00
Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.	10 00
Mrs. C. A. Santee, Mercersburg, Pa.	30 00
Emmanuel's Sunday-school, Hanover, Pa.	25 00

A friend, Fayetteville, Pa.	$10 00	
A friend, Emmanuel's Cong., Hanover, Pa.	1 00	
First Dept., Salem S. S., Harrisburg, Pa.	1 32	
C. E. Society, Mont Alto Church, per Miss Wiestling	3 00	
C. E. Society, Zion's Ch., Lehighton, Pa.	5 00	
Trinity Church, Altoona, Pa.	4 10	
Interest on Jacob Wagner Legacy	100 00	
Missionary Society, Upton, Pa.	5 00	
Reformed Church, Lovettsville, Va.	10 50	
Christ Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	122 14	
Reformed Church, Riegelsville, Pa.	210 84	
Sunday-school, Riegelsville, Pa.	111 48	
Nevin Boyer Fund, Riegelsville, Pa.	5 00	
From a Shut-in	2 00	
Reformed Sunday-school, Shepherdst'n, W. Va	6 00	
Mrs. C. K. Small	5 00	
Interest on Gerhart Legacy	6 00	
St. John's Cong., Middleburg charge	6 81	
Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.	1,132 50	1,907 69
		$23,416 59

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board	$23,416 59

HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Rev. A. C. Whitmer Supt.	$540 00	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.	183 00	
J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.	1,177 87	
Dr. J. Deisinger, Treas. Zion's Classis.	46 82	
Second Church, Reading, Pa.	25 00	
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.	125 00	
N. B. Schmitt, Woodstock, Va.	100 00	
Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D.D., Treas. Mercersburg Classis	100 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis.	44 34	$2,342 03

HARBOR MISSIONS.

Geo. N. Forney, Treas. Synod of the Potomac.	$22 00	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.	24 00	
J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.	75 60	
Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D.D., Treas. Mercersburg Classis	17 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis.	7 40	
Dr. J. Deisinger, Treas. Zion's Classis.	7 93	
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.	25 00	$178 93

GERMAN MISSION WORK.

Geo. N. Forney, Treas. Synod of the Potomac.	$ 25 00	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.	148 00	
J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.	957 09	
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.	135 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis.	36 95	1,302 04
		$3,823 00

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treas. General Board.	$3,823 00

2.—DESIGNATED MONEYS.

Synod of the Potomac; for Scranton Mission.	$8 00
W. M. Society, Philadelphia Classis, for Messiah	

Mission, Philadelphia, Pa	$10 00	
Reading Classis, for Olivet Church, Reading, Pa	75 00	
Reading Classis, for Faith Church, Reading, Pa.	75 00	
North Carolina Classis, for Bethel charge	175 00	
North Carolina Classis, for Catawba charge	60 93	
North Carolina Classis, for Lenoir Mission	20 00	
Wom. Miss. Soc., Reading Classis, for Mrs. Harsanyi	5 00	
Miss Ranck's S. S. Class, for Mrs. Harsanyi	3 00	$431 93
CR.		
Paid as designated		$431 93

3.—CHURCH BUILDINGS.

ON APPORTIONMENT.

West Susquehanna Classis	$223 00	
Schuylkill Classis	21 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	150 00	
Reading Classis	350 00	
Lebanon Classis	120 85	
Lehigh Classis	165 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	112 50	
Tohickon Classis	290 12	
East Susquehanna Classis	99 12	
Lancaster Classis	261 70	$1,793 29

CHURCH BUILDING FUNDS.

The Catharine Trone and Richard B. Schmidt Fund	$220 00	
The John H. and Anna M. Girvin Fund	461 50	
Money from Reformed Church, Stockton, Cal., used to complete the Girvin Fund	38 50	
The William Calvin Blessing Fund	500 00	
Balance on the Pontius Fund	500 00	$1,720 00

LOANS REPAID.

Hungarian Church, Trenton, N. J.	$200 00	
Heidelburg Church, Thomasville, N. C.	63 00	
Messiah Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	182 00	
Reformed Church, Timberville, Va.	25 00	
Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa., on note	100 00	
Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa., on mortgage	800 00	
Faith Church, Salisbury, N. C.	300 00	
Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.	200 00	
Trinity Church, Altoona, Pa.	250 00	
C. M. Boush, Treas., on Sioux City Loan	1,000 00	
The Trustees of Ref'd Church, Stockton, Cal.	1,362 10	$4,482 10

4.—LEGACY ACCOUNT.

Balance in treasury, Sept. 30, 1899	$2,514 92	
Mrs. Malinda M. Acker, Uwchland, Pa	500 00	$3,014 92
		$11,010 31

DISBURSEMENTS

C. M. Boush, Treas., apportionment for Church-Building	$1,793 29	
To complete the Girvin Fund	38 50	
Balance of Stockton, Cal., money for general		

treasury, after restoring the Welker legacy, (see note appended)	$73 60	
Loan to Burlington, N. C.	500 00	
Balance in treasury, Sept. 17, 1900	$8,604 92	$11,010 31

5.—INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Balance in treasury, Sept. 30, 1899	$994 64	
Trinity Church, Altoona, Pa.	38 00	
Mrs. C. A. Fremell	95 00	
Hungarian Church, Trenton, N. J.	40 00	
C. M. Boush, Treas. Church-building	281 62	
Estate of Miss Susan M. Pontius	450 00	
Grace Church, Altoona, Pa.	25 00	
Grace Church, Washington, D .C., on loan	50 00	
Maryland Classis	145 00	
Heidelberg Church, Thomasville, N. C.	18 41	
Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.	36 00	
Reformed Church, Timberville, Va.	9 37	
Grace Church, Allentown, Pa.	60 00	
Reformed Church, Roanoke, Va.	45 00	
Wyoming Classis, on Scranton bond	10 00	
Reformed Church, Parryville, Pa.	50 00	
On the Acker Legacy	25 00	
Reformed Church, Lykens, Pa.	10 00	
Mrs. Leah Sidel	90 00	
Tioga Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	20 00	
Dividend on Spangler Legacy	37 50	
Balance of Stockton, Cal., money	73 60	$2,604 14

DISBURSEMENTS

Rev. Aaron Noll, Philadelphia, Pa.	$50 00	
Faith Mission, Salisbury, N. C.	200 00	
Grace Mission, Washington, D. C.	10 00	
Grace Mission, Washington, D. C., loan	95 00	
Taxes on Astoria, Ore., property	16 35	
Traveling expenses of the Board, Stationary, and Postage	94 96	
Salary of the Secretary	75 00	
Salary of the Treasurer	75 00	
Balance in treasury, Sept. 17, 1900	1,987 83	$2,604 14

Respectfully submitted, JNO. J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.*

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., Sept .17, 1900.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—During the year the Board received from the trustees of the Reformed church of Stockton, Cal., $1,362.10, the net proceeds of the sale of their church property. The treasurer was instructed to apply this money, as noted in his report, as follows: (1) $1,250 to restore the Jacob Welker legacy to its original sum, this amount having been lost by depreciation of value in the Sioux City, Ia., church property; (2) $38.50 to complete the Girvin Fund; (3) the balance, $73.60, to the general treasury. J. J. N.

HARRISBURG, PA., Sept. 17, 1900.

We, the undersigned, have audited the above report and found it correct, as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
J. RAUCH STEIN.

Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

DEAR BRETHREN: In compliance with the instructions of the General Board of Home Missions, I herewith forward for your use copies of our report with statistical table ending March 31st, 1900.

There is nothing new since that date, that would materially change the report.

During the past year the meetings of the Board and Executive Committee have been held at the appointed times; the members have been prompt and regular in attendance; the meetings have been characterized by a spirit of harmony and unanimity; the wisest counsel has been sought and the best judgment exercised in the disposal of the interests committed to our care. The Board had sought to execute its trust according to the knowledge at its command, diligently, faithfully and justly for the best interests of the church and the glory of God.

The year has been characterized by a good measure of success. Our missionaries have been loyal and faithful. None have been called from their labors by death.

All appropriations due them have been paid as they fell due, but to do this we have been compelled to borrow large sums of money. This would not be necessary, if the amounts assumed had been promptly paid and to continue to pay so much for interest, will prove ruinous to the cause of missions.

Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Financial Secretary of the Board, resigned the position with the end of his year, Aug. 31. The Board hopes soon to secure a suitable successor.

The series of the 20th Century Tracts, 13 in number, with an issue of 50,000 copies of each has been printed, and is now being sent out for distribution, in accordance with a plan agreed upon. If these tracts are properly distributed and our people are encouraged to read them, we may hope for good results.

The cost ($600) has not been taken out of the general treasury, but has been paid by five generous elders of our Church.

In conclusion let me emphasize a few things in the accompanying report deserving special attention.

1. To make suitable provision for the observance of the Day of Prayer during the week of prayer in 1901.

2. To take such action as will give all our people who have not already done so, an opportunity to make a contribution to the *Memorial Reformed Church of Washington, D. C.*, during the current year.

3. To carefully and prayerfully consider the finances of the Board and to take such action as may seem best to awaken pastors and people to our present opportunities and the duty that devolves upon us. If we can secure the full amounts as-

sumed by the several Synods we can pay our debt and do aggressive work. Surely, it would be neither difficult nor burdensome to do this.

We have a distinctly marked and promising field for missionary effort and we dare not be recreant to so sacred a trust. We therefore hopefully and expectantly commend the cause to you and pray God's blessing upon you in your present sessions.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

E. R. ESCHBACH,

Pres. Gen'l Board of Home Missions.

October 3, 1900.

Report of Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

To the Synod of the Potomac:

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:—During the last year the steady progress of our Missionary work in Japan has been more or less interrupted by complications arising from the retirement, absence and failure of the health of several of our Missionaries. The retirement of Mrs. Gill (nee Hollowell), the complete break-down of Miss Rohrbaugh's health, necessitating her return to this country; and the but partial convalescence of Miss Zurfluh from a severe attack of typhoid fever, for a time seriously threatening the efficiency of the Girls School. The withdrawal of Rev. W. E. Hoy to go to China, the continued disability of Rev. Dr. Moore, who had come to America for recuperation, the occurrence of Rev. H. K. Miller's furlough, and the engagement of Rev. Snyder in the service of the Bible Societies, very seriously interrupted the onward flow of our work. But in the good Providence of God, with all these unfavorable incidents, our work suffered no material injury. The annual reports, recently to hand, present as favorable an exhibit as we have had for the preceding year or two. Of course, our Missionaries at work were oppressed with unusual burdens.

The Girls School suffered little or no damage. The number of scholars was full, and with the temporary aid of other members of the Mission, accomplished a very successful year. Its enrollment during the year was sixty-three scholars; eleven were graduated, six were baptized during the year, one died, the second since the establishment of the school, and of the whole number thirty-six were Christians. The majority of the non-Christians were new scholars.

The whole number of students in the Tohoku Gakuin for the year was 168, average attendance 121. These are largely in the lower classes. In consequence of the disabilities imposed by the Educational Department of the Government upon the students of Mission Schools, in the way of liability to military

duty, and unfavorable discrimination in appointments under the Government, as the students advance, many withdraw and enter the Government schools. This very unfavorably effects the number entering the Theological Department, and cuts the number of native evangelists short. There is a deficiency at the present time. The outlook, however, is that the Government will abate its restrictions and again open the way for a more successful prosecution of our school work. Five students were baptized during the year, and most of the non-Christians are more or less earnest inquirers.

Notwithstanding the hindrances encountered, the evangelistic work has been encouragingly prosperous. With a shortage in native workers, and increased labor devolving upon the Missionaries, the gathering in of souls slightly exceeded that of the year preceding. The number of baptisms was 210 and the number of Church members has nearly regained the figures reduced a few years ago by the great shrinkage, so that the number now reported closely approximates 2,000.

During the year, in accordance with the instructions of General Synod, and to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mrs. Gill, five new Missionaries were sent out, Revs. W. E. Lampe, A. K. Faust, both married, and Misses Sadie Lea Weidner and Lucy M. Powell, to Japan, and Rev. Frederick Cromer, to the China field.

The Board took steps to plant the new Mission in China as directed by General Synod. Rev. W. E. Hoy proceeded to China in advance of Rev. F. Cromer, whom later he met at Shanghai. Together they proceeded to Hankow, some 600 miles up the Yangtsze River, and betook themselves to the study of the language. Together they made an excursion into the neighboring province of Hunan, where it is proposed to plant the new Mission, and selected the city of Yo-chou as the location, which is about 150 miles up the river from Hankow. In the early summer they returned to Japan, provided with facilities for continuing the study of the Chinese language, with the expectation of returning to China in September. Should, however, the present excited conditions in China continue to render it unsafe for them to do so, they expect to go to Nagasaka, at the southern extremity of Japan, and quite near China, and there await the time when it will be safe for them to proceed to their chosen field.

The Board would beg to add, in conclusion, that it will readily occur to your Reverend Body that the advance steps taken in our foreign work, in obedience to the instructions of General Synod, will require a material increase in its receipts. For this, that body, at its last meeting, made provision by increasing the amount of its apportionment. We would, therefore, most respectfully request your Reverend Body to note

this fact, and to take such action as will secure to the Board the amount of contributions which will be necessary to enable it to accomplish the sacred work committed to its hands; at least, the full sum of the apportionment.

In behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions.

S. N. CALLENDER,
Secretary.

MECHANICSBURG, PA., Aug. 27, 1900.

Report of the Committee on Missions.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The following papers have been referred to your Committee:

The Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions ending March 31st, 1900.

A supplemental report of the Board till the present time.

The report of Rev. A. C. Whitmore, Superintendent of Bi-Synodic Board of Home Missions.

The report of J. J. Nissley, Treasurer of the Bi-Synodic Board of Home Missions.

The report of S. N. Callender, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions and Items 7 and 8 from the Committee on Minutes of Synod.

From these we learn that the Board of Home Missions has on the roll 98 missions, that the effort to make the missions self-supporting is never lost sight of, that Wednesday of the week of prayer is set apart as a day of prayer for God's blessing upon our home missionary work, that a series of tracts on the twentieth century movement, numbering sixty thousands are being circulated, that the church building funds are growing in numbers, that new missions are being established as rapidly as the funds will allow, that the funds for the Memorial Church in Washington are being collected, that Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, the Financial Secretary of the Board, resigned.

The Board requests the Synod to urge the Classis to make every effort to collect the apportionments, to take such aciton as will give to all our people who have not already done so an opportunity to make a contribution to the Memorial Church of Washington, D. C., during the current year, to carefully consider the finances of the Board and to take such action as will secure the amount needed for the work, to make special efforts to secure church building funds.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions it learns that, though the work has been interfered with by circumstances over which the Board had no control, yet the work has gone forward and the outlook is promising; that five new

missionaries have been sent out, viz: Revs. W. E. Lampe, A. K. Faust, both married, and Misses Sadie Lea Weidner and Lucy M. Powell to Japan and Rev. Frederick Cromer to the China field; that the Board took steps to establish a mission in China and committed the work to Revs. W. E. Hoy and F. Cromer; that the unfortunate outbreak in China has for the time being interfered somewhat with the further prosecution of the work there. The Board further urges the Synod to recognize the increased financial responsibility of the Board and to urge upon the Classes to contribute at least the full sum of the apportionment.

Resolved, 1. That we acknowledge the goodness of God in blessing the labors of the Boards, and in opening up new fields of usefulness for extending the Kingdom of God.

Resolved, 2. That Synod requests the pastors to observe Wednesday of the week of prayer of 1901 as a day of special prayer for missions.

Resolved, 3. That the establishment of Church Building funds be commended to the Classes with the request that the attention of congregations and individuals be called to the success of this special feature of the work.

Resolved, 4. That the Classes be requested to urge upon the pastors to give every member of the Churches in the Synod an opportunity to make a contribution to the Memorial Church in Washington.

Resolved, 5. That in answer to the request of the Board in reference to a Memorial Church in Washington, D. C., we desire that an opportunity be given to every member, confirmed and unconfirmed, within our bounds; and owing to the necessity of early action in the case we request the missionary, Rev. Dr. J. M. Schick, to bring this action to the attention of every pastor of this Synod, in the hope that at as early a day as possible the offering may be made.

Resolved, 6. That Classes be requested to raise in full the apportionments for Home Missions.

Resolved, 7. That the Synod rejoices in the additions that have been made to the force of Foreign Missionaries and at the beginning of the missions in China.

Resolved, 8. That the Classes be urgently requested to raise the apportionments for this cause and to scatter as far as possible the facts connected with the encouraging labors of our missionaries in the Foreign field.

Resolved, 9. That the Board be encouraged to persevere in establishing the mission in China.

Respectfully submitted,

CONRAD CLEVER, *Chairman.*

The following action was adopted:

Resolved That the Board of Foreign Missions be requested and urged to make more effective their plan of presenting the needs of the Board through personal touch with our people.

The Committee under item 13 of Report on Minutes of Synod reported as follows, which was received and adopted, to wit:

The Synod's Committee on the Twentieth Century Movement begs leave to report, that by correspondence with the Stated Clerks of the Classes it learned that all the Classes except Virginia Classis had appointed committees to carry out the request of the Synod for meetings in the interest of said movement. Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER, *Chairman.*

At the election for members of the several Boards of Synod Revs. W. C. Schaeffer and L. E. Coblentz were elected members of the Synodic Board of Home Missions for the term of four years.

MEMBERS OF THE SYNODIC BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND TERMS OF SERVICE: Revs. W. C. Schaeffer and L. E. Coblentz, four years; Rev. C. A. Santee, three years; Revs. F .A. Rupley, Jr., and C. B. Heller, two years; and Revs. J. F. Moyer and E. R. Deatrick, one year.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Treasurer of Synod for the past year was presented to the Synod, read, and then referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for the purpose of being audited. The report is as follows:

Treasurer's Report.

Geo. N. Forney, Treasurer, in account with the Synod of the Potomac, from October 25, 1899, to October 23, 1900.

1899.		DR.		
Oct. 23.	To balance on hand.....		$	476 97
	Amounts received from Classes as follows:			
	MARYLAND CLASSIS			
Nov. 24.	For Catawba College.....	$ 149 87		
	" Calvin College	43 00		
	" Theological Seminary	112 20		
	" Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	51 00		
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod.	127 50		
				$483 57
	MERCERSBURG CLASSIS.			
	For Calvin College	$29 00		
	" Theological Seminary	95 00		
	" Catawba College	93 00		

	For Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	$18 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod..	45 00	
			$280 00
	CARLISLE CLASSIS.		
	For Calvin College	$18 48	
	" Theological Seminary	51 74	
	" Catawba College	51 74	
	" Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	15 30	
			$137 26
	ZION'S CLASSIS.		
	For Calvin College	$12 24	
	" Theological Seminary	31 22	
	" Catawba College	41 68	
	" Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	17 96	
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod	27 93	
			$131 03
	JUNIATA CLASSIS.		
	For Theological Seminary	$129 00	
	" Catawba College	143 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	31 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod	155 00	
			$458 00
	GETTYSBURG CLASSIS.		
	For Theological Seminary	$128 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	30 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod	75 00	
			$233 00
	NORTH CAROLINA CLASSIS.		
	For Contingent Fund, Potomac Syn.	$15 00	
	" Contingent Fund, Gen'l Synod	75 00	
			$90 00
1900.			
Oct. 23.	To balance due Treasurer.....		$1 06
			$2,290 89

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1899.		
	By expenditures as follows:	
Nov. 10.	Paid Rev. L. E. Coblentz, expenses of Synod at Baltimore	$25 00
Dec. 12.	Paid Rev. Geo. M. Zacharias for services in Holland	100 00
1900.		
Jan. 9.	Paid Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, postage and incidentals	15 00
Feb. 10.	Paid Fidelity and Deposit Co., Baltimore, Md., for Treasurer's bond	25 00
Feb. 17.	Paid Rev. W. M. Deatrick, salary as Stated Clerk, to January 1, 1900.....	100 00
Feb. 27.	Paid Reformed Publication Board, printing 3,000 copies of the Minutes of Synod.....	165 72
May 11.	Paid Rev. J. A. Foil, on account of Catawba College	181 00
May 14.	Paid Rev. N. H. Skyles, expenses to Lancaster, Pa., meeting of the Board of Visitors.....	11 00
May 14.	Paid Rev. E. R. Eschbach, expenses to Lancaster, Pa., meeting of the Board of Visitors.....	3 00
May 29.	Paid Rev. J. S. Keiffer, expenses to Lancaster, Pa., meeting of the Board of Visitors.....	3 30

May 31.	Paid J. H. Weibert, Treasurer, interest on Brechbill legacy	$12 00
June 11.	Paid J. B. Roth, Treasurer, for Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa	419 18
Aug. 17.	Paid Rev. J. A. Foil, Treasurer, on account of Catawba College	281 29
July 12.	Paid Rev. T. F. Hoffmeier, expenses to meeting of Board of Education	19 55
July 12.	Paid Rev. Geo. B. Resser, expenses, meeting of Board of Education	1 70
Oct. 17.	Paid Rev. J. A. Foil, Treasurer, for Catawba College	17 00
Oct. 17.	Paid Rev. H. J. Reutenik, Treasurer, for Calvin College	102 72
Oct. 17.	Paid Jno. B. Roth, Treasurer, for Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa	128 00
Oct. 17.	Paid W. R. Barnhart, Treasurer, for General Synod	580 43
Oct. 17.	Geo. N. Forney, salary as Treasurer of Synod	100 00
		$2,290 89

Report of the Committee on Finance.

The Standing Committee on Finance submitted its report during the session of Monday evening, which was received, amended, and adopted. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The Committee on Finance submit the following report: We have examined the Treasurer's Report, with accompanying vouchers, and found it correct.

We have made the following apportionment which we believe will meet the requirements of the Synod for the coming year:

CLASSES.	Home Missions.	Foreign. Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	Work Among Germans.	Harbor. Missions.	Beneficiary Education.	Theological Seminary.	Catawba College.	Contingent. Fund.	Totals.
Maryland	$ 3050	$1600	$ 250	$245	$ 35	$ 820	$185	$195	$125	$ 6455
Gettysburg	1800	890	165	140	26	590	130	145	75	3961
Juniata	1800	900	165	140	26	590	130	145	80	3976
Zion's	1150	700	140	120	21	435	95	120	65	2846
Mercersburg	1150	600	140	95	20	435	90	85	50	2665
Carlisle	825	400	90	40	11	260	65	60	35	1786
Virginia	425	300	80	30	10	210	50	60	35	1200
North Carolina	550	450	90	30	11	260	55	90	35	1571
	$10750	$5840	$1120	$840	$160	$3600	$800	$900	$500	$24460

Respectfully Submitted,
J. A. Hoffheins, Chairman.

Arrearages.

The following arrearages are still resting on the different Classes, for the following objects, to wit:

Contingent Fund of Synod: Carlisle Classis, $54.83; Virginia Classis, $15.00; Zion's Classis, $7.00.

Contingent Fund of General Synod: Carlisle Classis, $50.82; Virginia Classis, $37.50; Zion's Classis, $34.57.

Report of Synod's Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees presented its annual report, which was received and adopted, to wit:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

The Board of Trustees respectfully presents the following annual report, to wit:

The Board held its annual meeting in Hanover, Pa., October 12th, 1900, at 11 o'clock, A. M. All members were present.

The Board organized by the election of Elder Jacob N. Schriver, *President*, and the Rev. T. J. Barkley, *Vice-President and Secretary*.

Touching the Philip Brechbill legacy of $200, of which the Synod is the Trustee, the following action was adopted, to wit:

That the Board report progress to the Synod and ask that the matter be continued.

That the matter of the Philip Brechbill Legacy be referred to the Treasurer and Secretary for such action as they may deem necessary.

The Board carefully examined and audited the securities of the Seminary Endowment Fund in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod, and found bonds, notes and mortgages at their par value, amounting to $33,000, safely invested and bearing a good rate of interest.

The Seminary Fellowship Fund, with accrued interest, amounts to $1,704.14.

By order of the Board.

JACOB H. SCHRIVER, *President*.

Attest:—T. J. BARKLEY, *Secretary*.

GETTYSBURG PA., October 19, 1900.

Rev. J. W. Pontius was duly elected a member of the Board of Trustees for the term of five years from January 1st, 1901.

Members of the Board of Trustees and terms of service: Rev. J. W. Pontius, for five years; Rev. T. J. Barkley, for four years; Elder J. D. Zehring, for three years; Elder J. H. Schriver, for two years; and Elder G. N. Forney, for one year.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

None.

ARTICLE XVII.

COMPLAINTS.

Item 11 of Report on Minutes of Classes was referred for consideration to a special committee, consisting of Revs. J. W. Pontius, J. D. Andrew and Elder D. M. Kilmer. The committee reported the complaint in order and a process of trial. When the time set for the trial arrived, upon inquiry it was learned that no one was present to prosecute the trial and the following was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the non-appearance of the complainant, either personally or by counsel, the complaint is hereby declared to be abandoned, according to the requirements of the Constitution.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Standing Committee on Sunday-schools presented the following report, which was received and adopted, as follows:

Report of the Sunday-school Committee.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Sunday-schools had referred to them the following documents:

1. The report of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod.

2. The statistical reports of the Sunday-schools of the several Classes.

From the first of these it is learned that the past year has been one of marked prosperity for the Sunday-school Board in its business and publication departments. There has been an increase of $7,581 in the gross cash receipts of the Board over those of the previous year, and the net profits of the business have amounted to the gratifying sum of $3,520. The publication of the Sunday-school Hymnal has been one of the important features of the year's work, hundreds of the schools of the church already having introduced it. Increasing numbers of the schools are using also the Lesson Helps and Sunday-school papers, and those for the Home Department especially are winning larger favor. In view of these facts we offer the following:

Resolved, That Synod of the Potomac rejoices to hear of the prosperous condition of the affairs of the Sunday-school Board, and requests the several Classes to urge all Sunday-schools to give continued support to the important work of this Board.

Resolved, That Synod hears with pleasure of the success that has attended the Board in preparing and publishing a

Sunday-school Hymnal, the recognized merits of which entitle it to the large circulation which it has already been given.

Resolved, That this Hymnal and the literature of the Board, especially that pertaining to the Home Department, be cordially commended to the schools of the Synod, as valuable helps for increasing the helpfulness of the schools in the development of Christian character and Christian worship.

From the statistical reports of the Sunday-schools it appears that encouraging progress has been made during the year in increasing the number of officers, teachers and pupils in our schools. In view of the results accomplished, and the importance of securing still larger enrolment and attendance in our schools we suggest the following:

Resolved, That Synod request that in connection with the Twentieth Century Movement special emphasis be laid upon the possibility and importance of bringing added numbers of children and adults into the membership of our schools, and that particular effort be made this year to make the membership of the schools as large as the communicant membership of the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
A. S. Weber, *Chairman.*

NAMES OF CLASSIS.	No. of Sunday-schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Average Attendance.	No. Open 12 mo.	Renewal Refused.	Our Full Membership.	Baptized.	Rec'd Into Membership.	Using Catechism.	Reformed Helps.	S. S. Papers.	Library Books.	General B'd.	Other Bds.	Benevolent.	Support of Schools.
Zion's	35	595	5344	5891	2648	19	1340	1016	1594	248	6	13	2050	3310	23	53	457	1567
Maryland ...	58	1236	7694	8930	3777	41	171	2391	3496	336	29	48	1970	8891	264	673	1660	3891
Mercersburg .	22	402	2798	3160	1796	20	108	802	362	111	14	19	605	2427	27	306	242	1563
Virginia	23	328	1858	2193	1061	...	....	498	850	52	9	21	249	1815	54	51	23	333
N. Carolina.	32	331	2768	3099	1253	13	798	502	937	63	3	17	648	1100	7	108	103	590
Gettysburg .	26	502	3139	3641	1580	19	600	1050	2050	141	14	20	120	4150	27	254	450	1420
Carlisle	20	338	2439	2792	1674	19	51	933	556	81	17	18	775	1018	76	239	220	1248
Juniata	46	719	4452	5171	2857	24	152	1656	2016	203	22	43	1896	3546	214	332	287	1826
Total	262	4451	30492	34943	16646	155	3220	8448	11861	1235	114	199	8313	26257	692	2016	3442	12438

ARTICLE XIX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

The following standing rule was moved and adopted:

Resolved, That it be a standing rule of this Synod to hear Superintendents of Orphan Homes, Presidents of Colleges, and the several Boards, and others having special business with the Synod, immediately after the appointmment of the Standing Committees, and the reference to them of reports and documents.

ARTICLE XX.

PUBLICATIONS.

The following report was submitted by the Stated Clerk, in connection with item 19 of the Report on Minutes of Synod, which was received and adopted:

Report on Publishing the Minutes.

The undersigned begs leave to report, that he had three thousand copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the Twenty-seventh Annual Sessions of the Synod printed and bound in pamphlet form, as instructed, and distributed them according to the rules and regulations of the Synod in the case. The work was executed by the Reformed Church Publication Board of Philadelphia, at a cost of $165.72.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. M. DEATRICK, *Stated Clerk.*

To the Eastern, the Pittsburgh and the Potomac Synods:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Publication begs leave to submit to your Reverend Bodies its Annual Report as follows:

At a meeting in the City of Lancaster, October 19th, 1899, Mr. Francis E. Heller, of Fort Washington, Pa., was elected Business Manager for the Board at a salary of sixteen hundred dollars per annum, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Rev. C. R. Ferner. At this meeting the Board also, in compliance with the actions of the several Synods on the subject, by an action passed, relieved the Editor of the Messenger of all business care and responsibility, and entrusted everything belonging to the business department of the concern to the hands of the Manager. The Sunday-school Board through its representative, informed our Board that it had consented to this modification of the agreement entered into between the two Boards, May 11th, 1899.

At a meeting of the Board held at the publication rooms, Philadelphia, January 10th, 1900, our Board entered into an agreement with the representatives of the Sunday-school Board to carry on the book business jointly with said Board. The joint business was to begin April 1st, 1900, but by mutual consent of the Managers, the time for putting the arrangement in operation was afterwards deferred to July 1st, 1900. At a meeting of the Board held June 29th, 1900, after further investigation and canvass of the matter, the conclusion was reached that the arrangement agreed upon would not redound to the best interests of the Synods in publication matters and therefore the Board rescinded its action of the January meeting with reference to the joint conduct of the book business. And for

the purpose of avoiding in the future all friction and misunderstandings between the representatives of the two Boards, our Board passed the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Board that the business of the Publication Board ought to be conducted separate and apart from the Sunday-school Board, and therefore our Manager is instructed to secure quarters for the conducting of our business independent of the Sunday-school Board; this separation to go into effect October 1st, 1900."

The condition of our plant remains in general the same as it was one year ago. For the purpose of reducing the expenses the printing of the Messenger has been awarded to the "Report Publishing Co.," of Lebanon, Pa., and in order to procure proper mailing privileges, the name Lebanon had to be added to that of Philadelphia as the place of publication. The subscription list of the Messenger is about the same as last year; that of the Review has been considerably increased. The book business has been remunerative and promises to become more so in the future. We bespeak for this branch of our trade the patronage of ministers and people of the church. Favorable action was taken by the Board at its last meeting on the request of the Potomac Synod that the subscription price of the Messenger be reduced as soon as practicable. The Manager has the matter under consideration.

The financial condition of the plant is shown by the following reports of the Manager, and the Treasurer.

Losses and Gains from Nov. 1st, 1899, to July 1st, 1900.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.				
Inventory, July 1st, 1900....	$4,762 84			
Credits	10,196 61	$14,959 45	Losses.	Gains.
Inventory, Nov. 1st, 1899...	$3,508 19			
Debits	9,107 27	$12,615 46		$2,343 99
MESSENGER.				
Inventory, July 1st, 1900....	$ 68 76			
Credits	10,498 52	$10,567 28		
Debits		10,353 48		$213 80
REVIEW.				
Debits		$723 20		
Credits		710 20	$13 00	
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.				
Inventory, Nov. 1st, 1899...	$557 85			
Debits	248 00	$805 85		
Inventory, July 1st, 1900....	$727 12			
Credits	62 50	789 62	16 23	
Net gain, November 1st, 1899, to July 1st, 1900..			2,528 56	
			$2,557 79	$2,557 79

Report of Francis E. Heller, Manager, July 1, 1900.

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand	$2,847 55	
Merchandise in Book Department	4,762 84	
Merchandise in Messenger Department	68 76	
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 727 12	
Accounts Receivable—Book Department	1,651 12	
Accounts Receivable—Advertising	470 00	
Subscriptions due on Messenger	6,644 39	
Subscriptions due on Review	182 00	$17,353 78

LIABILITIES.

Messenger Subscriptions paid in advance	$2,856 78	
Review Subscriptions paid in advance	346 50	$3,203 28
Net Capital		$14,150 50

The above report and the Manager's books were examined and audited by J. H. Stein and H. M. Housekeeper and found correct.

It will be noticed in the above statement the liability of $1,878.94 of last year's report has not been carried along and that the net capital has accordingly been correspondingly increased.

Report of James T. Reber, Treasurer of the Publication Board, September 1, 1900.

September 22d, 1899, balance in Treasury as per last report		$39 34

RECEIPTS.

Interest on Reading & Columbia R. R. bonds	$200 00	
Bonus from Sunday-school Board	1,000 00	
Interest from Board of Home Missions on Mortgage Bonds	150 00	
Last and final distribution of Fisher estate	$17 40	$1,367 40
		$1,406 74

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses of members attending meetings of Board,	$145 75	
Printing Report	8 90	
A. W. Bomberger's counsel fee in Fisher estate	5 00	
June 1st, purchase of Bond Reading & Columbia R. R. Co	1,000 00	
Premium on Bond	20 00	1,179 65
Balance in Treasury		$227 09

INVESTMENTS.

5 bonds, Reading & Columbia R. R. Co., 5 per cent	$5,000 00	
1st mortgage bond, Massilon, Ohio, 5 per cent., Board of Home Missions	1,000 00	
1st mortgage, Youngstown, Ohio, 5 per cent.	1,000 00	$7,000 00

The books, papers and report of the Treasurer were examined and audited by J. H. Stein and found correct.

By comparing this report with that of last year it will be seen that the invested funds have been increased by $1,000.00, with almost $200.00 more cash balance in the Treasurer's hands.

The Board has endeavored to give the matters entrusted to its oversight and care, its most faithful attention and to manage them to the best of its ability. And it is our opinion that publications can be made, much more than they already are, a very useful and efficient department of Church work, and therefore we ask for the sympathy, prayers and co-operation of the Synods, the Classes and the people of the Church in the work in which we are their humble servants.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Truxal, *Secretary.* W. Rush Gillan, *President.*

Report of Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Publication presented its report, during the session of Monday afternoon, which was received, amended and adopted, and as adopted is as follows:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Publication begs leave to offer the following report:

From the annual report of the Board of Publication referred to your committee are gathered the following facts which merit the attention of this Synod, viz: The election of Mr. Francis E. Heller as business manager of the Board; that the subscription list of the *Messenger* has not been increased during the year, that there has been considerable increase in the circulation of the *Review,* that the book business has been enlarged and promises to be a remunerative part of the Board's work, and that the financial condition of the plant as shown by the reports of the manager and treasurer, is to say the least, safe and sound.

On the basis of these facts your committee present the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod expresses its full confidence in the Board's management of the publication interests, and is gratified with the present hopeful condition of this department of the Church's work.

2. That the action of the Board in the election of Mr. Francis E. Heller, as Business Manager, is cordially approved, and the hope is expressed that Mr. Heller with his accredited business qualifications, may advance our publication interests to a degree of prosperity not hitherto attained; and to this end he is commended to the confidence of the ministry and laity of the Church.

3. That the Synod renews its expression of appreciation of the *Messenger* as conducted under the present efficient edi-

torship, and requests pastors and elders to co-operate with the Editor and Business Manager in their efforts toward the larger circulation to which it is entitled and which is so necessary to the furtherance of the various interests of the Church.

4. That while the Synod is gratified to learn of the increased circulation of the *Reformed Church Review,* it bespeaks for it a much larger circulation on the ground of its own superior worth, which is especially evinced in the masterful editorial ability of Dr. William Rupp.

5. That the Synod learns with pleasure of the purpose of the Board to give special attention to the Book Department, and urges our ministry and laity in their book purchases to deal directly with the Reformed Church Publication Board, thereby obtaining for themselves as good terms, if not better, than can be secured elsewhere; and at the same time contributing in greater or less measure to the revenue of the Board.

6. That the Synod recommends to the Board the employment of more effective means for the enlarged circulation of our church literature, and for the sale of church supplies.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN C. BOWMAN, *Chairman.*

The Stated Clerk was directed to have three thousand copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the present sessions duly authenticated, printed and bound in pamphlet form, and distribute them among those entitled to receive them.

Members of the Publication Board and terms of service: Rev. C. S. Slagle, for three years; W. Rush Gillan, Esq., for two years.

ARTICLE XXI.

MISCELLANEOUS.

During the session of Saturday forenoon, the Standing Committee on Nominations presented its report, which was received and adopted, and a sufficient number of tickets of the nominations was ordered to be printed for the use of the Synod. The election was made the order of the day for 10.30 o'clock on Monday forenoon. At the time designated, the election was held, Revs. G. G. Everhart, C. Gumbert, and Elders C. M. Zumstein and D. R. Earlenbaugh acting as tellers, who collected the ballots, counted the votes, and furnished the President with the result of the election. The result will be found elsewhere, in connection with the action of the Synod on the reports of the Boards of Education, Regents of Mercersburg College, Woman's College, Catawba College, Missions, Trustees of Synod, and Theological Seminary Boards.

Report of Committee on Orphan Homes.

The Standing Committee on Orphan Homes presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Orphan Homes begs leave to submit the following report:

From the annual reports of Bethany and St. Paul's Orphan Homes, and from the addresses made by their respective Superintendents to this body, we rejoice to learn of the constantly increasing efficiency of these splendid institutions of our Church.

At the present time 200 orphans are being cared for in these homes, and 27 of them are from the bounds of this Synod.

While the reports show that all necessary funds for current expenses of the past year were provided, and that generous bequests were made for specific purposes, they also show that the demands upon the homes are increasing. To meet these demands, increased facilities will be needed. In view of these facts we recommend the following for adoption:

Resolved, That we rejoice in the prosperity and efficiency of these institutions, and commend them anew through the pastors, to the continued support of the congregations within the bounds of this Synod.

Resolved, That in order to meet the constantly increasing demands upon these homes, we would recommend that an earnest effort be made to increase the Christmas offerings, so that the Church may be enabled to fully discharge her duty to her dependent children.

Resolved, That this Synod expresses its gratitude to the Giver of all good for the many rich blessings bestowed upon these institutions during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Bruce Lyttle, *Chairman.*

Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

The following statement was presented to the Synod by the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows, in accordance with the request of the Synod, and was ordered to be spread upon the minutes, to wit:

Resolved, That the Synod anew commends the work of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows to our Classes and congregations.

The Officers of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States present for publication in the minutes of your Reverend Body the following statement of the financial operations of the same for the year closing with September 30th, 1900:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in Treasury, Sept. 30th, 1899	$3,447 34
From the estate of Daniel Black	4,000 00
" loans paid	5,198 00
" interest on investments	1,993 90
" Collections in the churches	1,369 89
" Pittsburgh Synod (special)	400 00
" royalty on Sunday-school Hymnal	185 00
" individual gifts	171 00
Total	$16,765 13

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for investment	$9,800 00
" to fifty-six annuitants	3,235 00
" for expenses, salary, printing, postage, revenue stamps and stationery	463 80
" to Daniel Stine's Memorial Home	402 00
Cash in Treasury, Sept. 30th, 1900	2,864 33
Total	$16,765 13
Invested Fund	$46,035 00

The following Ministers have become members during the year:

Life Members.—Revs. Wm. H. Herbert, J. Philip Harner, Frederick Strassner, D.D., Nathaniel Ruetenik, John Phil. Stein, D.D., Stanley R. Krebs, Titus C. Strock, B. Franklin Luckenbill, Homer S. May, John H. Prugh, D.D., Francis C. Yost, Benjamin Weiss, Edwin R. Williard, D.D., Jonathan V. George, Moritz Heinze, George P. Hartzell, Eugene L. McLean, David J. Wolff, Isaac A. Sites, Franklin W. Brown and Wm. F. Lichliter.

Annual Members.—Revs. J. G. Steinert, George H. Miller, Henry C. Nott and Ernest M. Preuss.

Officers of the Society.—Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, D.D., president, Bedford, Pa.; Rev. J. David Miller, vice-president, Duncannon, Pa.; Rev. T. Frank Hoffmeier, secretary, Mt. Pleasant, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, treasurer, Myerstown, Pa.

Assessors.—Rev. Edmund R. Eschbach, D.D., Frederick, Md.; Rev. Harry F. Dittmar, Jefferson, Md.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—As the Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, we present for information the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds for the year closing with September 30th, 1900:—

RECEIPTS.

Maryland Classis	$168 98
Carlisle Classis	70 55
Juniata Classis	57 36
Mercersburg Classis	56 08
Zion's Classis	37 98
	$390 95

EXPENDED.

Paid to 11 Annuitants	$600 00

Attention is also called to the Daniel Stine Memorial Home, located at Myerstown, Pa. It is a home for aged ministers, their wives and the widows of ministers, and is the property of the Society for Relief, and is carried forward as a department of its work. It is in need of and calls for financial help that it may be successfully maintained.

The officers are:

Rev. J. David Miller, President, Duncannon, Pa.

Rev. Chas. H. Coon, D.D., Secretary, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer, Myerstown, Pa.

With the prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide you in your deliberations, I am,

Yours fraternally,
SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer.

MYERSTOWN, PA., Oct. 1st, 1900.

Items 6, 7 and 10 of the Report on Minutes of Classes were referred for consideration to a special committee consisting of Revs. W. I. Stewart, M. O. Noll and Elder F. R. Bossert. Subsequently the committee offered the following report, which was received and adopted, to wit:

Your committee to whom were referred Items 6, 7 and 10 of the Committee on Minutes of Classes submits the following report:

We have carefully considered the overtures from Zion's and Maryland Classes to be exonerated in part from the payment of apportionment on account of Catawba College, and the request of the Classis of North Carolina for a prompt completion of the endowment of Catawba College.

We are impressed with two conditions with respect to this important matter. *First,* that owing to the expense of the canvass by the agent, it is difficult to determine what proportion of the amount collected was set apart for the endowment fund, and that therefore we cannot easily fix the amount raised by each Classis, and the interest due from each Classis. *Second,* that Synod having authorized the collection of $17,000 for the endowment of Catawba College and having obligated itself for the interest on the amount not collected by the agent of the College, it is not expedient to release the parts of the body from that for which the whole is responsible. Therefore

Resolved, That the Synod cannot excuse any Classis from its share of the interest.

Resolved, That the Classes be urged to promptly pay their share of the apportionment for the interest due.

In response to the request of the Classis of North Carolina we recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That, owing to the many claims for money upon the Synod, we cannot see our way clear to recommend the prompt completion of the $17,000 endowment of Catawba College.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees is hereby encouraged to continue its effort to collect money throughout the Synod.

W. I. STEWART, *Chairman.*

Item 9 of the Report on Minutes of Classes was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. E. R. Eschbach, E. B. Lyttle, and Elder J. H. Stephens, for consideration.

During the session of Saturday forenoon the committee presented the following report which was received and adopted, namely:

Your Committee on "Deaconess Home" begs leave to report that the item referred to them is an overture from Maryland Classis, which we find to be in accord with the recommendation of General Synod on the subject, therefore

Resolved, That this Synod approves of the establishment of such Homes.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, whose duty it shall be to further investigate this whole subject, and report to next Synod the result of their investigations, and also as to the time and place of its inauguration, if they shall find it feasible to do so.

Respectfully submitted,
E. R. ESCHBACH, *Chairman.*

Revs. E. R. Deatrick, L. E. Coblentz, G. A. Snyder, and Drs. E. G. Shower and E. C. Kefauver are the committee called for in the report.

Item 2 of Report on Overtures was referred to a special committee, for examination, consisting of Revs. H. J. M. Klein, E. S. Hay and Elder J. I. Motter.

The committee presented the following report, which was received and adopted, namely:

Your committee to whom was referred the book recently published by Rev. S. H. Dietzel, of Cavetown, Md., begs leave to report, that we have examined the work. It is entitled "The Church Member and His Various Relations and Duties to His Home, His Church and His State."

WHEREAS, we believe the work to be altogether worthy and meeting the ends for which it was designed, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Synod commend the book to the Church as being helpful to the members of its congregations, in promoting a love for and a faithfulness to the regular or-

dinances of the Christian Church, as well as in giving them a higher sense of duties to home and responsibility to State.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. J. KLEIN, *Chairman*

The following was adopted: *Resolved,* That the attention of the Classes be called to the urgent request of the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod to apportion six cents per communicant member for the Church Building funds of the Board of Home Missions.

The following action was unanimously adopted:

It is with regret that this Synod learned of the affliction of Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, Stated Clerk of the Synod, which has prevented him from being present with us in this annual meeting, the first he has missed, therefore

Resolved, That the sympathy of this Synod be and herewith is tendered to him in his affliction, and that we commend him to our Heavenly Father, whose tender mercies are invoked in his behalf, and whose Grace is sufficient for us.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing action be transmitted to Dr. Deatrick.

On motion, the Treasurer of Synod was instructed to pay to the pastor of the church in which the sessions of Synod were held, twenty-five dollars to defray incidental expenses.

On Wednesday afternoon a reportorial committee was appointed to report the proceedings of the Synod for the public press.

Shortly before final adjournment, the Committee reported that it had attended to the duty assigned, which was received and adopted.

ARTICLE XXII.

MINISTERIAL NECROLOGY.

The Standing Committee on Ministerial Necrology, appointed at the last annual meeting of the Synod presented its report, which was received, amended, and was adopted in silence, the Synod rising for the purpose.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Necrology.

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

Your Committee on Ministerial Necrology begs leave to report as follows:

During the Synodical year just ended, four of our fellow-laborers in the ministry of reconciliation, members of this Synod, have been called from the labors and trials of the Church militant to the rest and joys of the Church triumphant. All

of them were well advanced in years. Three of them were on the disabled list, as well as superannuated, and only one fell in the harness—in the active work of the ministry.

REV. HENRY ST. JOHN RINKER.

Mr. Rinker was the son of Jacob and Mary Rinker, and was born in Woodstock, Va., February 28th, 1819. He received his education in the institutions of our Church, first in the High School at York, Pa., and later at Marshall College at Mercersburg, Pa., leaving the latter in 1837. He taught school during a number of years in his native village, meanwhile studying theology privately. He was licensed in the Spring of 1842 by the Virginia Classis, assembled in St. John's church, Augusta county, Va. He was commissioned to labor as a missionary by the Classis in Rockingham and Shenandoah counties. In 1844, he was ordained to the office of the ministry and installed as pastor of the Mill Creek charge, consisting at the time of seven congregations. He labored in this, his first field for a period of twenty-eight years, withdrawing from it in 1870. In 1874, Rev. Rinker received and accepted a call to the Lovellsville charge, consisting of only one congregation, thus making his labors less laborious. This field he served acceptably for sixteen years and nine months, closing his ministerial labors there in October, 1890, and retired to his home near Maurertown, Va., where quietly and peacefully he spent the evening of his days.

On the 31st day of January, 1900, he departed this life, aged 80 years, 11 months, and 3 days, and now sleeps sweetly in Jesus.

REV. JACOB HASSLER, D.D.

This well-known minister of our church was the son of Jacob and Elizabeth Hassler, and was born in Mercersburg, Pa., August 25th, 1824. He was educated in our institutions, then located at Mercersburg, Pa., graduating from Marshall College in September, 1845. After spending some time in teaching, he entered the Theological Seminary and graduated therefrom in 1849. He was licensed by the Mercersburg Classis at its annual meeting in 1849. In August, 1850, he became the pastor of the Loudon and St. Thomas charge and was ordained to the work of the Holy Ministry in the following December. For eight years he served this pastoral charge. In August, 1858, he removed to Martinsburg, Pa., and became the pastor of the Martinsburg charge. After five years service, in October, 1863, he removed to Shippensburg where he labored until 1869. Thence he went to Boonsboro, Md., where he labored successfully for four years, until September, 1873. During his ministry, Rev. Hassler was instrumental in having four good substantial brick churches built, at St. Thomas, Mar-

tinsburg, Boonsboro and Fort Loudon, the church at Boonsboro costing about ten thousand dollars.

In 1873, he removed to Mercersburg and reorganized the Mercersburg Female Seminary which he conducted successfully until April, 1880. During this time he supplied the Loudon and Fannettsburg churches and continued to do so after his removal to Fort Loudon, in 1884 until 1894, when he became more or less disabled and ceased the active work of the ministry, living retired. Although he was in poor health for several years, his final illness and death came suddenly. He was called to his reward February 7th, 1900, aged 75 years, 5 months and 13 days.

REV. WILLIAM R. H. DEATRICH, D.D.

Mr. Deatrich was born at St. Thomas, Franklin county, Pa., June 28th, 1834. He was the oldest son of John and Mary Deatrich. He spent about four years studying in Marshall Institute at Mercersburg and Franklin Academy at Chambersburg, Pa. He studied theology privately under the Rev. Samuel Philips, at the time pastor of the Reformed church at Chambersburg, at the same time receiving valuable assistance from Revs. Drs. S. R. Fisher, B. S. Schneck and B. Bausman.

He was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Mercersburg Classis, May 22nd, 1860, and ordained to the ministry in the Grindstonehill Church, November 17th, of the same year. His ministerial life was spent in the following pastoral charges, namely: Grindstonehill charge, three and a-half years; Gettysburg Charge, nine and one-half years; Mechanicsburg charge, eight years; and the remainder of his life, from 1881 to April 1st, 1897, as pastor of the New Bloomfield charge, and since the latter date, his ministerial labors were confined to the New Bloomfield congregation.

Dr. Deatrich was an earnest and faithful servant, whose labors have been blessed of the Lord. He died, after a brief illness, "in the harness," as he often expressed a desire might be the case, May 2nd, 1900, aged 65 years, 10 months, and 4 days.

REV. GEORGE R. ZACHARIAS.

Mr. Zacharias was a native of Reading, Pa., and was the son of George and Mary Zacharias, and was born September 20th, 1823. He prepared for the work of the Holy ministry in the institutions of our Church at Mercersburg, Pa., graduating from Marshall College in September, 1852, being a member of the last class that graduated from said College prior to its union with Franklin College, of Lancaster, constituting Franklin and Marshall College.

After an interval of five or six years Mr. Zacharias entered the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg and grad-

uated from it in the Spring of 1860, and soon afterwards was licensed by the Lebanon Classis. In 1861, he received a call to the Strasburg charge, in Franklin County, Pa., which he accepted, and was ordained by the Mercersburg Classis. This was his first and only pastoral charge, consisting of four small congregations in the northern part of the county, which he served with indifferent success for about two years, and then resigned it, on account of failing health. During the latter part of his life, he suffered a great deal from nervous debility He died August 24th, 1900, aged 76 years, 11 months and 4 days.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Hesson, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were moved and unanimously adopted, to wit:

Whereas, This Synod is desirous to put on record an expression of its pleasure, in being so hospitably entertained in this educational center by the kind friends of Mercersburg:

Resolved, That the Synod hereby extends its heartfelt thanks to the pastor and members of the congregation, for the use of their Church, during the sessions of Synod, and to the good friends of Mercersburg for their generous and hospitable entertainment.

Resolved, That Pastor Santee be requested to read the foregoing action from his pulpit.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be tendered to Dr. W. M. Irvine for the hospitality and courtesy shown to the Synod, at different times, during its present sessions.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk return the thanks of the Synod to the General Passenger Agents of the Cumberland Valley Railroad and Western Maryland Railroad for the favor of reduced rates of fare to the members attending the sessions of the Synod.

The Synod having completed the transaction of the business for which it had assembled, the Synodical roll was called, and no one was found absent without permission.

The journal of Monday's sessions was then read and approved, and the Minutes of Synod were ordered to be engrossed.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That when the Synod adjourns finally, it be to

meet in the Reformed Church of Huntingdon, Pa., on Tuesday evening, October 15th, A. D. 1901, at 8 o'clock.

The next annual meeting will be as a delegated Synod.

The Synod adjourned finally on Monday evening, October 29th, 1900, at 8.45 o'clock, with repetition of the Apostles' Creed, uniting in the Lord's Prayer, singing a doxology, and Apostolic Benediction by the President.

LOUIS ROBB, *President.*
WM. M. DEATRICK, *Stated Clerk.*

Official copy from the original Minutes.

WM. M. DEATRICK, *Stated Clerk.*

CLASSIS OF ZION.

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Aaron Spangler	Trinity	7	448	381	252	40	2	16	1	3	10	8	3	10	136	213	..	$230 14	$985 00	9	507 W. Market St., York, Pa.
Aaron H. Leisz	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Host, Berks Co., Pa.
Francis C. Yost	Heidelberg, York	1	469	380	225	20	2	25	44	7	....	3	..	1	41	605	..	609 00	2606 00	75	23 W. Phila. St., York, Pa.
George Stibitz, Ph.D.	Zion's, York	1	325	250	280	17	2	12	13	4	....	4	4	1	38	429	..	240 00	3825 00	...	411 W. Phila. St., York, Pa.
Oliver P. Schellhamer	Paradise, York	4	964	900	678	72	12	61	13	15	10	25	12	4	48	945	..	525 00	2319 00	40	413 W. Phila. St., York, Pa.
Gideon P. Fisher	Kreutz Creek	3	325	281	180	34	2	19	6	2	40	4	11	4	51	465	..	363 00	1215 00	60	Hellam, York Co., Pa.
Raymond E. Butz	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	York, Pa.
Henry H. Apple	Trinity First Reformed	1	495	390	200	15	1	29	29	2	....	12	3	1	38	350	..	776 24	5651 00	75	119 S. Duke St., York, Pa.
Charles P. Kehl	St. John's	2	98	94	111	2	1	...	1	..	....	2	3	2	31	135	1	39 00	465 00	75	Red Lion, York Co., Pa.
Hiram J. Hillegass	Shrewsbury	4	400	346	280	33	..	15	....	4	4	16	6	4	....	215	..	273 97	800 00	18	Shrewsbury, York Co., Pa.
H. M. John Klein	Grace, York	1	273	241	250	15	2	10	14	4	10	5	4	1	30	425	..	649 16	3842 00	...	223 N. Hartley St., York, Pa.
William E. Bushong	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	24 S. Hartley St., York, Pa.
E Bruce Lyttle	Memorial, York	1	164	134	....	13	3	12	20	9	17	5	..	1	30	309	..	.....	1118 00	...	117 W. Market St., York, Pa.
G W. Shellenberger	Dillsburg	4	258	174	153	8	..	5	1	5	20	10	6	3	63	354	..	125 79	600 00	20	Dillsburg, York Co., Pa.
A. Theodore Wright	Bethany, York	1	60	54	35	10	..	13	6	4	....	1	..	1	20	150	..	.....	900 00	25	W. Locust St., York, Pa.
Israel S. Leiby	Glen Rock	3	425	353	220	18	..	13	10	3	....	5	2	2	23	167	..	225 00	2409 00	27	Glen Rock, York Co., Pa.
Chas. P. Kehl, supply	Mt. Pleasant	2	37	36	46	3	..	4	1	..	....	1	2	2	16	175	..	9 00	175 00	...	Red Lion, York Co., Pa.
G P. Fisher, supply	Locust Grove	1	25	23	30	...	..	...	....	..	....	....	..	1	12	70	..	.....	.....	8	Hellam, York Co., Pa.
Total, 16.	15	36	4766	4037	2940	300	27	234	159	62	111	101	56	38	577	5007	1	$4065 30	$26990 00	372	

CLASSIS OF MARYLAND.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.					S. S. STATISTICS.			Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers Taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
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Jos. W. Santee, D.D.	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Geo. L. Staley, D.D.	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	..	1628 N. Calvert St., Balto., Md.
Edmund R. Eschbach, D.D.	Evangelical Ref., Frederick	1	570	475	514	24	..	16	9	17	..	...	18	9	1	66	525	..	$ 2960	$ 3995	125	Frederick, Frederick Co., Md.
J. Spangler Kieffer, D.D.	Zion	1	492	408	225	26	3	20	15	6	..	3	4	2	1	45	280	..	873	2200	50	Hagerstown, Washington Co., Md.
Joel T. Rossiter, D.D.	First	1	624	475	396	33	2	25	7	9	..	...	6	5	1	34	305	2	1464	2771	22	822 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.
T. Franklin Hoffmeier	Mt. Pleasant	3	192	167	91	13	..	17	2	1	..	...	5	....	2	20	200	..	172	573	18	Mt. Pleasant Frederick Co., Md.
Conrad Clever, D.D.	Third	1	318	255	62	11	..	5	4	6	..	6	6	....	1	30	244	2	971	3000	...	516 W. Mulberry St., Balto, Md.
Silas M. Hench	Utica	3	395	239	265	21	2	10	5	8	..	...	5	3	3	35	255	1	242	657	27	Frederick, Frederick Co., Md.
Jacob B. Kerschner	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	175 Lacock St., Alleghany, Pa.
Louis F. Zinkhan	Supt. Bayview Asylum	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Bayview, Balto., Md.
E. Ranson Deatrick, B.D.	Trinity	1	188	132	140	19	..	2	4	2	..	8	1	1	1	18	183	1	215	1011	16	342 3rd Ave., Woodberry, Balto.
Barton R. Carnahan	Mt. Moriah	3	284	221	109	4	4	8	2	10	..	...	2	1	2	39	195	..	220	1050	...	Keedysville, Washington Co., Md.
Calvin S. Slagle	Westminster	1	139	126	65	6	..	6	7	8	..	1	4	1	1	22	118	..	1161	2160	23	Westminster, Carroll Co., Md.
Geo. A. Snyder	Christ, Hagerstown	2	370	300	170	5	3	2	4	4	..	...	2	2	2	43	244	..	281	2438	16	Hagerstown, Washington Co., Md.
Adam S. Weber	Faith	1	261	225	250	23	..	37	7	....	..	20	2	5	1	36	600	..	285	36512	20	130 S. Patterson Ave., Balto., Md.
Geo. A. Whitmore	Thurmont	4	456	384	462	32	..	13	10	19	..	10	9	2	3	56	310	..	289	982	27	Thurmont, Frederick Co., Md.
Harry F. Dittmar	Jefferson	2	228	200	123	12	..	13	4	4	..	...	3	1	2	30	194	..	310	875	60	Jefferson, Frederick Co., Md.
Geo. W. Snyder	Boonsboro	2	118	78	78	5	1	3	1	3	..	...	2	1	2	22	100	..	82	541	20	Boonsboro, Washington Co., Md.
Chas. W. Levan	St. Stephen's	1	100	75	73	10	..	2	1	....	..	...	....	1	1	16	125	..	103	622	6	306 E. 23rd St, Balto., Md.
Hiram J. Macalisetr (1)	Carroll (4)	3	264	219	90	11	1	7	2	5	..	1	4	2	3	26	136	..	130	645	18	Westminster, Carroll Co., Md.
Atvill Conner	Manor	3	252	217	109	6	..	10	4	1	..	...	4	1	3	45	184	..	520	1256	...	Adamstown, Frederick Co., Md.
William I. Stewart, B.D.	Christ, Baltimore	1	209	167	129	12	..	16	15	5	..	5	1	3	1	26	256	..	150	1500	10	2117 Druid Hill Ave., Balto., Md.
Isaac M. Motter	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Frederick, Frederick Co., Md.
Lloyd E. Coblentz	St. Paul's, Baltimore	1	460	407	432	30	1	22	16	9	..	17	9	26	1	36	402	..	631	4898	35	304 N. Carey St., Balto., Md.
Samuel M. Roeder	Manchester	3	564	408	233	17	..	16	11	7	..	...	6	4	3	48	261	..	236	1194	...	Manchester, Carroll Co., Md.

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William C. Sykes	Burkittsville	2	157	139	57	7	1	7	1	2	..	5	1	....	2	16	100	..	102	700	20	Burkittsville, Frederick Co., Md.
Alexander Bateman, Ph.D.	Taneytown	2	325	265	180	33	1	5	9	7	1	...	7	3	1	21	188	..	225	736	9	Taneytown, Carroll Co., Md.
K. Otis Spessard, Ph. D.(2)	Union Bridge	3	271	230	108	7	..	17	11	4	..	4	6	2	3	38	182	..	153	885	15	Union Bridge, Carroll Co., Md.
Simon S. Miller	Supt. Daniel Stine Home	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.
Christopher Noss	Foreign Missionary	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Sendai, Japan.
Fred W. Bald	Grace, Baltimore	1	140	111	75	22	..	6	14	2	..	10	3	3	1	30	300	..	64	970	10	110 W. Ostend St., Balto., Md.
Geo. M. de F. Zacharias	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	18 E. Franklin St., Balto., Md.
Wm. C. B. Shulenberger	Church of Incarnation	1	152	135	56	9	2	10	5	10	..	...	3	2	1	10	45	..	100	600	15	Emmittsburg, Frederick Co., Md.
Cyrus Cort, D.D. (5)	Sabillasville	3	89	52	103	3	..	2	....	...	..	...	4	1	2	35	242	..	27	150	11	Sabilasville, Frederick Co., Md.
Samuel H. Dietzler, Ph.D.	Cavetown	3	370	343	275	13	5	22	8	8	..	9	11	1	3	51	196	..	242	747	39	Cavetown, Washington Co., Md.
John W. Pontius	Middletown	1	512	400	227	14	3	22	9	3	..	...	9	....	1	50	340	..	620	1985	53	Middletown, Frederick Co., Md.
Eugene L. McLean	Grace, Frederick	1	161	133	150	13	1	12	20	...	..	...	2	1	1	26	350	1	178	1179	...	Frederick, Frederick Co., Md.
David J. Wolf	Glade	2	225	181	125	4	..	6	10	5	..	...	2	....	2	39	210	..	232	1617	18	Walkersville, Frederick Co., Md.
Elmer L. Coblentz	St. Paul's, Ridgely	1	136	110	60	2	..	7	12	...	..	7	....	....	1	22	170	..	96	784	5	Ridgely, Caroline Co., Md.
J Stewart Hartman	St. Mary's, Silver Run	1	544	427	337	17	..	17	2	4	..	...	6	1	1	25	200	..	410	952	...	Silver Run, Carroll Co., Md.
Charles H. Knight (6)	Clearspring	2	201	171	85	7	..	2	1	2	..	...	....	3	3	34	200	..	210	900	20	Bethlehem, Pa.
Earnest E Weaver (3)	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Hanover, Pa.
Wm. E. Lampe	Foreign Missionary	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Sendai, Japan.
Jno. M. Schick, D.D.	Grace, Washington	1	140	114	41	2	..	5	12	3	..	...	2	1	1	15	65	..	103	1015	20	1405 15th St., N.W. W'hingt'n,D.C.
James M. Mullan	St. Mark's	1	34	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	
T. F. Hoffmeier, supply	Rocky Hill	1	15	8	5	2	..	...	....	3	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	2	17	18	t. Pleasant, Frederick Co., Md.
J. W. Pontius, supply	Fairview	1	38	8	25	...	..	...	....	1	..	...	....	....	1	2	40	..	3	29	...	Middletown, Frederick Co., Md.
Jos. H. Apple, Licentiate.	President Woman's College.	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	rederick, Frederick Co., Md.
Wm. H. Warner, Licentiate		..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	neboro, Carroll Co., Md.
Total, 46.		65	9998	8006	5925	476	29	391	277	178	1	106	149	88	59	1107	7945	7	$14035	$82290	746	

(1) Pastor of Union Bridge charge from Nov. 1, 1900. (2) Dismissed to West Susquehanna Classis, Aug. 24, 1900. (3) Dismissed to Carlisle Classis, Oct. 31, 1900. (4) Vacant from Oct. 31, 1900. (5) Pastoral relation dissolved June, 1900. (6) Pastoral relation dissolved Oct. 1, 1900.

E. R. DEATRICK, Stated Clerk.

CLASSIS OF MERCERSBURG.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.					S. S. STATISTICS.				CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
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William M. Deatrick, D.D.	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	$ 45 00	.....	...	Bedford, Bedford Co., Pa.
William C. Cremer, D.D...	Supply for Middleburg.....	1	66	45	60	2	..	....	....	2	..	....	2	..	1	23	105	1	50 00	$ 175 00	5	Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Franklin F. Bahner, D.D..	Waynesboro	2	422	360	150	20	5	13	40	4	..	....	15	6	2	50	385	..	537 90	4300 00	54	Waynesboro, Franklin Co., Pa.
Geo. W. Aughinbaugh, D.D.	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Greenvillage, Franklin Co., Pa.
Geo. B. Russell, D.D.,LL.D.	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Zullinger, Franklin Co., Pa.
Jonas B. Shontz.....	St. John's of Chambersburg	1	327	275	149	9	2	10	18	8	..	11	5	..	1	25	302	..	384 00	1479 00	...	Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Irvin M. Beaver.....	Grindstonehill	2	419	328	149	3	6	26	3	8	..	....	11	3	2	34	192	1	382 91	1085 50	70	Marion, Franklin Co., Pa.
William C. Schaeffer, Ph.D.	Zion's, of Chambersburg...	1	385	288	250	9	1	13	6	5	..	....	3	2	1	33	234	..	785 78	3638 35	80	Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Henry N. Bassler.....	St. Thomas.....	4	343	301	132	9	12	27	17	6	..	....	6	3	4	42	292	..	151 68	895 00	27	St. Thomas, Franklin Co., Pa.
Isaac N. Peightel.....	Greencastle	1	320	290	150	5	3	10	3	4	..	5	2	1	1	25	195	2	471 00	1280 00	65	Greencastle, Franklin Co., Pa.
Charles A. Santee.....	Mercersburg	2	298	244	121	13	1	9	7	2	..	....	9	..	2	35	240	..	393 00	1153 00	35	Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Charles M. Smith.....	McConnellsburg	3	158	133	76	13	4	14	2	2	..	....	1	..	1	13	60	..	58 79	416 12	8	McConnellsburg, Fulton Co., Pa.
Edward O. Keen.....	St. Paul's, of Waynesboro.	2	252	213	110	11	5	8	8	2	..	1	2	1	2	31	193	..	466 00	1475 00	65	Waynesboro, Franklin Co., Pa.
Christian Gumbert.....	Loudon	3	228	188	126	8	1	7	....	3	..	12	6	..	3	44	194	2	118 47	680 00	...	Fort Loudon, Franklin Co., Pa.
Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher,D.D.	Shippensburg	1	304	233	98	2	4	7	3	5	..	10	5	..	1	26	269	..	409 83	1621 06	...	Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Pa.
William M. Irvine, Ph.D..	Lic. Pres. Mercersburg Col.	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Supplied by Rev.Dr. Cremer	Mont Alto.....	1	57	40	20	2	..	1	4	1	..	1	1	..	1	12	130	..	62 77	132 77	...	MontAlto, Franklin Co., Pa.
Supplied by Committee.....	Quincy	1	18	15	10	...	..	...	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	.....	..	4 36	10 00	3	Quincy, Franklin Co., Pa.
Supplied by Committee.....	Fayetteville	1	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	..	..	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Fayetteville, Franklin Co., Pa.
16		26	3595	2953	1601	106	44	145	111	52	..	40	68	16	22	391	2791	6	$4321 50	$18300 50	418	

CLASSIS OF VIRGINIA.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.					S. S. STATISTICS.			Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
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John A. Hoffheins, D.D.	Christ's	1	328	225	218	7	2	10	2	20	..	1	1	2	1	27	198	..	$ 421 08	$ 2754 43	...	Martinsburg, W. Va.
J. W. Rauch	Falling Waters	1	12	11	8	2	..	1	....	...	..	...	1	....	1	4	16	..	17 47	39 87	3	Martinsburg, W. Va.
George G. Everhart	Shepherdstown	2	151	129	58	16	1	5	1	5	..	...	3	....	2	22	131	..	155 00	500 00	...	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Josiah May	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	...	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Bayard, W. Va.
James B. Stonesifer	Winchester	2	107	70	72	6	1	5	....	...	..	...	2	1	2	26	100	..	124 63	450 00	20	Winchester, Va.
Samuel A. Hitner	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	...	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Edinburg, Va.
Albert B. Bauman	Harrisville	2	215	184	78	2	3	3	1	3	..	...	2	....	2	25	186	..	522 00	1175 00	21	Tom's Brook, Va.
N. H. Skyles	Woodstock	2	226	210	156	7	2	4	5	...	..	...	4	1	..	....	....	..	540 00	712 00	30	Woodstock, Va.
Vacant	Timberville	3	217	176	95	3	12	17	1	4	..	...	7	....	3	25	150	..	133 00	439 00	13	Timberville, Va.
H. Ditzler	Mill Creek	4	179	159	139	7	3	5	1	...	..	...	8	4	3	28	180	..	60 00	750 09	15	Mt. Jackson, Va.
Vacant	Rockingham	4	395	279	100	4	5	8	2	8	..	5	8	....	..	....	....	1	320 00	..1630 00	...	
J. Silor Garrison	Massanutten Academy	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	...	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Woodstock, Va.
Lewis T. Lampe	Lovettsville	1	128	105	75	5	3	16	7	...	..	...	1	1	1	24	67	..	153 00	554 50	...	Lovettsville, Va.
R. Raymond Jones	Middlebrook	2	189	174	70	6	3	2	3	1	..	1	3	....	2	29	200	..	90 83	560 00	20	Middlebrook, Va.
Ellis S. Hay	St. Paul's	1	40	32	28	...	2	2	18	3	..	...	....	2	1	10	50	..	36 00	303 00	...	Roanoke, Va.
Lewis T. Lampe, supply	Christ's, Wiehle	1	9	6	5	...	..	...	....	...	..	2	....	....	1	....	....	..	10 00	116 00	...	Lovettsville, Va.
Vacant	Harrisonburg	1	19	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	...	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	
Henry W. Wissler	Mt. Crawford	2	146	130	40	3	1	2	2	...	..	10	5	....	2	30	145	..	640 00	503 00	35	Mt. Crawford, Va.
Supplied	Edinburg	3	197	....	62	...	..	3	1	...	..	..	3	1	2	....	106	..	739 00	.....	...	
S. A. Hitner, supply	Smithfield	1	16	10	1	...	..	...	1	...	..	6	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	65 50	...	Edinburg, Va.
Charles A. Bushong																						
		33	2583	1900	1205	68	38	83	39	44	..	25	48	12	23	250	1529	1	$3962 01	$10552 30	157	

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS				LOSSES.					S. S. STATISTICS.				Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Communicants.	Communed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re-Prof	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Erasure of Names.	Deaths. Communicants.	Deaths. Unconfirmed.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.			Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.		
John Ingle	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Green Park, N. C.
Michael L. Hedrick	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Silver Hill, N. C.
Jacob C. Clapp, D.D	Pres. Catawba College	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Newton, N. C.
Peter M. Trexler, D.D	Prof. Catawba College	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Newton, N. C.
John A. Foil, Ph.D	Prof. Catawba College	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Newton, N. C.
Paul Barringer	New Gilead	2	248	211	144	11	4	13	1	2	0	0	4	0	2	18	123	0	$ 83 32	$ 474 40	8	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.
Joseph L. Murphy	Hickory	3	231	196	103	8	..	7	2	2	..	8	3	2	3	17	196	1	94 96	902 33	50	Hickory, N. C.
Jacob C. Leonard, B.D	Prof. Catawba College	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Lexington, N. C.
J. M. Luther Lyerly	Central Rowan	4	180	180	206	12	..	10	8	14	..	6	1	1	4	40	395	1	76 00	1807 00	...	Crescent, N. C.
James D. Andrew	Burlington	3	112	104	38	4	7	11	3	...	..	...	1	1	2	14	169	..	57 00	321 00	27	Burlington, N. C.
Julius H. Shuford	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Hickory, N. C.
H. A. M. Holshouser	Upper Davidson	4	473	356	200	15	10	31	4	3	..	2	3	....	4	34	440	2	274 00	553 00	76	Lexington, N. C.
Wm. H. McNairy	Concord	1	58	38	26	...	..	1	1	7	...	...	....	....	1	9	56	..	33 00	150 00	16	Concord, N. C.
B Frank Davis	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	West Chester, Pa.
Anthony Shulenberger	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	China Grove, N. C.
Clarence Clapp	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	...	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Newton, N. C.
Theodore C. Hesson	Lincoln	4	323	292	146	8	3	7	3	4	..	...	5	1	3	18	170	1	188 23	549 00	60	Maiden, N. C.
Charles H. Riedesel	East Rowan	3	339	271	225	18	..	3	3	6	..	2	3	3	2	33	334	..	312 13	846 19	25	Rockwell, N. C.
Wm. A. Long, Ph.D	Newton	1	144	114	64	4	..	1	....	1	..	...	3	1	1	17	95	..	102 00	655 00	50	Newton, N. C.
Jacob N. Faust	Thomasville	3	185	116	50	13	9	12	4	...	..	...	4	....	3	31	195	1	49 50	240 75	15	Thomasville, N. C.
George A. Stauffer	Guilford	2	300	274	131	9	..	8	5	7	..	3	6	1	2	20	210	..	133 00	450 00	40	Danville, N. C.
Henry E. Sechler	Blowing Rock	1	18	8	25	...	..	...	....	2	..	4	1	....	1	6	40	..	23 00	46 75	7	Green Park, N. C.
Gerny Weber	Salisbury	1	35	30	20	2	1	10	12	...	..	...	....	....	1	7	30	..	13 00	245 00	...	Salisbury, N. C.
Vacant	West Rowan	2	206	184	121	15	1	6	1	2	..	...	3	3	2	26	200	..	57 00	450 00	...	China Grove, N. C.
Vacant	Lower Davidson	5	363	261	136	11	5	13	8	...	..	3	4	1	..	....	....	1	56 00	262 00	18	McKee, N. C.
Vacant	Catawba	4	150	102	60	10	..	...	....	4	..	...	1	1	..	....	....	..	48 00	270 00	35	Conover, N. C.
Vacant	Lenoir	1	11	11	....	1	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	8	..	6 28	38 18	...	Lenoir, N. C.
23		44	3376	2748	1693	141	38	113	57	58	..	26	49	15	40	280	2688	6	$2228 00	$8262 00	427	

CLASSIS OF GETTYSBURG.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.					S. S. STATISTICS.			Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Communicants.	Communed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re-Prof.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Erasure of Names.	Deaths, Communicants.	Deaths, Unconfirmed.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.		Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.		
William K. Zieber, D.D...	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Hanover, Pa.
John C. Bowman, D.D.....	Prof. in Sem., Lan., Pa...	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	444 W. James St., Lancaster, Pa.
Thomas J. Barkley, D.D....	Gettysburg	1	298	275	285	15	4	12	7	4	..	...	4	6	1	19	160	..	340	1213	40	Gettysburg, Pa.
John H. Hartman.....	Lischey's	4	751	685	500	52	1	39	3	4	..	2	11	4	4	61	250	1	217	1100	30	Hanover, Pa.
Franklin A. Guth.....	Jefferson	3	795	702	495	50	1	35	2	15	..	7	12	18	3	30	400	2	421	1150	35	Codorus, Pa.
Walter E. Krebs, D.D.....	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Littlestown, Pa.
Francis S. Lindaman.....	Christ Church	3	785	675	475	54	4	38	9	16	..	1	16	6	3	55	350	2	550	1200	20	Littlestown, Pa.
George B. Resser.....	Emmanuel	1	442	378	203	12	1	12	5	...	..	...	4	....	1	43	244	2	901	1984	60	Hanover, Pa.
Edward D. Miller.....	West Manheim.....	2	239	210	108	20	..	14	5	2	..	...	4	....	2	12	95	..	85	450	...	Hanover, Pa.
J. Marion Mickley.....	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	McKnightstown; Pa.
John F. Mackley, M.D.....	Cashtown	3	367	292	201	13	1	10	2	6	..	2	2	3	3	29	200	..	393	849	...	Fairfield, Pa.
William D. Lefevre.....	Without charge.....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Littlestown, Pa.
Peter E. Heimer.....	New Oxford.....	3	609	577	490	38	4	38	25	4	..	11	10	3	3	29	321	..	320	1955	60	New Oxford, Pa.
Milton M. Noacher.....	Arendtsville	2	429	398	355	10	4	15	3	7	..	9	3	1	2	37	331	..	488	820	24	Arendtsville, Pa.
Marsly J. Roth.....	Trinity	1	541	443	370	34	3	18	17	14	..	12	3	12	1	48	385	2	270	2771	95	Hanover, Pa.
Paul M. Spangler.....	East Berlin.....	4	372	260	....	16	2	10	7	11	..	...	4	6	3	42	221	..	75	1251	10	East Berlin, Pa.
Whorton A. Kline.....	Prof. in Ursinus College...	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Collegeville, Pa.
Frederick C. Seitz.....	Littlestown	1	345	312	125	9	..	20	17	6	..	4	6	4	1	26	211	..	346	1063	16	Littlestown, Pa.
T J. Barkley, supply.....	St. Mark's congregation....	1	96	81	40	3	..	...	1	2	..	...	2	1	1	8	50	..	25	130	10	Gettysburg, Pa.
		29	6259	5288	3647	326	25	261	103	87	..	48	82	65	28	439	3318	9	$ 4431	$14936	400	

CLASSIS OF CARLISLE.

MINISTERS	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS. Communicants.	MEMBERS. Communed.	MEMBERS. Unconfirmed.	ADDITIONS. Infant Baptisms.	ADDITIONS. Adult Baptisms.	ADDITIONS. Confirmed.	ADDITIONS. Certif. or Re-Prof.	LOSSES. Dismissed.	LOSSES. Excommunicated.	LOSSES. Erasure of Names.	LOSSES. Deaths, Communicants.	LOSSES. Deaths, Unconfirmed.	S. S. STATISTICS. Sunday-Schools.	S. S. STATISTICS. Officers and Teachers.	S. S. STATISTICS. No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Benevolent Purposes.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Congregational Purposes.	Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
J. David Miller	Duncannon	3	224	188	90	7	..	3	7	5	..	7	5	2	..	....	....	..	$ 269 21	$ 661 71	...	Duncannon, Pa.
Miles O. Noll	Carlisle	1	356	327	125	10	9	21	8	14	..	6	15	4	..	....	....	..	600 00	3800 00	75	Carlisle, Pa.
Titus C. Strock	Zion's	4	489	416	399	21	..	11	9	10	..	..	3	3	..	....	....	2	329 00	1002 00	...	Blain, Pa.
Samuel H. Stein	Mechanicsburg	1	254	236	115	7	2	9	18	8	..	8	4	1	..	....	....	..	330 00	1500 00	21	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
John P. Dieffenderfer	Sulphur Springs	4	161	148	82	6	1	2	....	7	..	....	5	1	..	....	....	..	159 00	725 00	...	Carlisle, Pa.
Solomon B. Schafer	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Martinsburg, Pa.
Samuel N. Callender, D.D.	Sec. Bd. Foreign Mis.	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
Samuel P. Stauffer	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	York, Pa.
Geo. A. House	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Dayton, Ohio.
Wm. H. Groh	Without charge	..	....	....	....	...	..	...	....	...	..	...	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Carlisle, Pa.
Vacant	Newport (1)	2	373	292	120	12	6	9	13	23	..	...	4	2	..	....	....	..	401 63	1016 65	23	Newport, Pa.
Vacant	New Bloomfield	1	88	80	45	...	..	2	1	3	..	...	5	....	2	....	....	1	78 00	450 00	...	New Bloomfield, Pa.
Vacant	Landisburg	4	409	319	178	11	2	10	8	10	..	2	5	....	..	....	....	..	483 30	1032 00	21	Landisburg, Pa.
Vacant	Newburg (1)	1	120	114	65	2	1	5	3	1	..	24	1	....	1	....	....	..	104 00	1090 00	...	Newburg, Pa.
10 Ministers.	9 Charges.	21	2474	2120	1219	76	21	72	67	81	..	42	47	13	5	....	....	3	$2754 35	$11278 48	140	

(1) Pastor called.

J. DAVID MILLER, Stated Clerk.

CLASSIS OF JUNIATA.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	Congregations.	MEMBERS. Communicants.	MEMBERS. Communed.	MEMBERS. Unconfirmed.	ADDITIONS. Infant Baptisms.	ADDITIONS. Adult Baptisms.	ADDITIONS. Confirmed.	ADDITIONS. Certif. or Re-Prof.	LOSSES. Dismissed.	LOSSES. Excommunicated.	LOSSES. Erasure of Names.	LOSSES. Deaths, Communicants,	LOSSES. Deaths, Unconfirmed.	S. S. STATISTICS. No. of Schools.	S. S. STATISTICS. Officers & Teach'rs	S. S. STATISTICS. No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS Benevolent Purposes.	CONTRIBUTIONS Congregational poses.	Church Papers taken.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Martinsburg, Pa.
F. A. Rupley, D.D.	Without charge	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	...	Martinsburg, Pa.
S. Chas Stover	Dunning's Creek	3	288	231	154	11	0	15	3	5	0	2	5	5	3	43	186	0	$ 201	$ 994	14	Cessna, Pa.
John F. Moyer	Christ's Church	1	537	445	192	21	4	27	24	12	0	1	1	6	1	27	289	0	656	2348	102	Altoona, Pa.
Simon U. Waugaman	Greenfield	4	419	368	541	20	3	17	2	8	0	0	12	0	4	53	443	0	347	1777	...	Claysburg, Pa.
Daniel G. Hetrick	Schellsburg	3	236	212	215	13	0	8	11	2	0	0	3	2	3	25	145	0	163	1300	8	Schellsburg, Pa.
E. W. Stonebraker	Yellow Creek	4	210	180	150	21	15	19	4	19	0	0	10	5	4	29	285	0	250	850	22	Loysburg, Pa.
	Sulplur Springs (1)	3	380	339	246	11	1	17	11	14	0	0	2	2	1	10	83	0	266	634	10	Mann's Choice, Pa.
Lewis Robb	Trinity Church	1	395	352	150	10	7	22	24	5	0	10	5	1	1	42	367	0	510	2771	35	Altoona, Pa.
Fred A. Rupley, Jr.	Water Street	3	425	360	171	12	2	13	8	25	0	0	9	1	2	32	152	1	749	1114	...	Alexandria, Pa.
Chas. H. Slinghoff	McConnellstown	3	345	331	142	20	1	6	5	5	0	5	5	5	3	44	263	1	387	2487	30	McConnellstown, Pa.
Irvin W. Hendricks	Bedford	1	160	137	125	3	0	8	5	5	0	0	0	1	1	17	110	0	253	1215	...	Bedford, Pa.
Thomas K. Cromer	St. Clairsville	3	356	282	188	7	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	1	2	33	310	0	845	754	32	St. Clairsville, Pa.
Edward M. Beck	Hickory Bottom	3	355	300	109	8	7	22	5	4	0	12	2	0	3	57	236	0	231	780	30	Martinsburg, Pa.
Calvin B. Heller	Everett	2	188	154	102	5	1	5	9	2	0	0	4	0	2	26	147	0	229	1066	...	Everett, Pa.
	Grace Church	1	108	98	81	11	1	9	7	5	0	0	0	2	1	22	160	1	93	1171	19	Altoona, Pa.
Gustav R. Poetter	Martinsburg	2	274	248	95	11	4	9	6	13	0	45	4	2	2	33	164	0	233	1216	...	Martinsburg, Pa.
Calvin P. Wehr	Friend's Cove	3	303	205	100	15	3	21	0	3	0	3	5	3	3	33	240	0	350	200	25	Koontzville, Pa.
Henry H. Hartman	Woodcock Valley	3	413	387	185	27	3	16	10	8	0	5	5	3	3	51	326	1	298	818	22	James Creek, Pa.
Arthur C. Thompson	Saxton	2	164	125	85	1	6	16	4	1	0	0	2	0	2	32	170	0	147	504	18	Saxton, Pa.
Supply	Orbisonia	3	63	47	22	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	0	1	9	50	0	17	104	...	Orbisonia, Pa.
Albert H. Ginder	Clear Ridge	3	129	120	47	4	1	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	2	23	128	0	55	1600	10	Clearville, Pa.
Preston A. DeLong	Huntingdon	1	308	250	125	7	9	15	19	5	0	0	6	3	1	29	223	1	435	2100	32	Huntingdon, Pa.
Total, 19.	1Pastor called.	52	6056	5161	3245	238	69	268	162	146	0	88	87	42	45	670	4427	5	$ 6717	$25803	409	

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Synod of the Potomac of the Reformed Church in the United States, A. D. 1900.

	Classes.	Ministers.	Congregations.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.					S. S. Statistics.			Students for Ministry.	CONTRIBUTIONS.	
				Communicants.	Communed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re-Prof.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Erasures.	Deaths, Communicants.	Deaths, Unconfirmed.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Sunday-School Scholars.		Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Zion's	..	16	36	4766	4037	2940	300	27	234	159	62	..	111	101	56	38	577	5007	1	$4,065 30	$26,990 00
Maryland	..	46	65	9998	8006	5925	476	29	391	277	178	1	106	149	88	59	1107	7945	7	14,035 00	82,290 00
Mercersburg	..	16	26	3595	2953	1601	106	44	145	111	52	..	40	68	16	22	391	2791	6	4,321 50	18,300 50
Virginia	..	16	33	2583	1900	1205	68	38	83	39	44	..	25	48	12	23	250	1529	1	3,962 00	10,552 39
North Carolina	..	23	44	3376	2748	1693	141	38	113	57	58	..	26	49	15	40	280	2688	6	2,228 00	8,262 00
Gettysburg	..	18	29	6259	5288	3647	326	25	261	103	87	..	48	82	65	28	439	3318	9	4,431 00	14,936 00
Carlisle	..	10	21	2474	2120	1219	76	21	72	67	81	..	42	47	13	5	338	2439	3	2,754 35	11,278 48
Juniata	..	19	52	6056	5161	3245	238	69	268	162	146	..	88	87	42	45	670	4427	5	6,717 00	25,803 00
Synod of Potomac (Total)	8	164	306	39,107	32,213	21,475	1731	291	1567	975	708	1	486	631	307	260	4052	30,144	38	$42,514 15	$198,412 25
Eastern Synod	12	313	523	98,471	80,717	50,923	5306	575	4864	3053	1830	6	1696	1871	960	569	8927	72,303	87	97,068 04	448,465 87
Ohio Synod	6	138	232	25,017	20,365	6,327	762	550	1364	1067	549	1	825	354	111	222	3438	23,523	28	23,773 00	126,551 00
Synod of Pittsburgh	5	83	148	18,870	15,709	10,196	947	127	719	668	390	..	312	278	116	128	1642	11,976	10	33,058 51	100,219 81
Synod of the Northwest	11	165	219	22,238	15,396	14,306	1634	26	1069	804	247	4	592	365	146	185	1469	13,214	25	17,705 00	104,169 00
German Synod of the East	5	66	57	15,266	12,022	10,476	1929	21	840	733	93	1	434	322	60	59	1184	11,912	10	9,113 00	95,542 00
Central Synod	5	95	120	21,084	15,268	12,056	1294	57	977	691	237	7	913	325	109	22	.....	.....	...	16,827 00	85,372 00
Synod of the Interior	5	60	68	3,265	2,712	1,475	143	51	144	177	115	2	161	38	9	61	751	4083	6	5,042 43	30,667 65
Total 8 District Synods	57	1084	1673	243,318	194,402	127,234	12,796	1698	11,544	8168	4169	22	5419	4184	1818	1506	21,493	167,235	204	$245,111 13	$1,189,399 58

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